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Redemption



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- 🌸 **God created us in His image and also created the entire universe and it was originally very good.**

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- ✘ Then the rebellion of the whole human race against God through the *historic* act of our first parents. Their disobedience was a failed attempt to become as God.

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➔ **God's promise is that Abraham's descendants will become a great nation, and that through that nation would come Jesus, who is saving some people from every people group on the planet.**

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- ⊕ **God's act of releasing his people from sin, and of bringing them to freedom.**


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Ephesians 2:1-10 (ESV)

✘ And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ²in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience—³among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the

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³ mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. ➡⁴ But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us,  ⁵ even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶ and raised us up with him and seated us with him in


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⁶ the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷ so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

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 ¹⁰ For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

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Ephesians 2:4-9 (ESV)

➔⁴ But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, **+**⁵ even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—⁶ and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,⁷ so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

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What should we do?

Acknowledge that:

- ☼ We are created in his image and will not find rest outside of him.
- ✘ We are sinners rebelling against God who need to repent.

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What should we do?

Acknowledge that:

➔ He has and is pursuing us.

⊕ We must turn from our sin and place our trust in Jesus as the fulfillment of God's promise of redemption.

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