

vocabulary of salvation

Ransom Rescue Redeem

Our study into the *Vocabulary of Salvation* takes us to three "R" words: Ransom, Rescue, and Redeem. The meaning of these words are so close to each other that we will look at them as one unit.

Ransom: the price paid for freedom

Hosea 3:1-3 So I _____ her for myself for fifteen shekels of silver...

- Mt 20:28 Son of man gave His _____ a ransom for many (1 Tim 2:6)
- Implied with the concept of ransom is someone held _____ and the rescuer _____ the ransom
- The cost for our freedom was the sacrifice of Jesus (Acts 20:28; 1 Cor 6:19-20)
 - God paid the ransom.
 - The ransom reveals both the love of God and the justice of God

What Held Us Captive?

_____: Jn 8:34
 _____ way of life: 1 Pet 1:18
 _____: Heb 2:14-15

The truth is what frees us—Jn 8:32

Why does the Bible use the idea of slavery to describe the nature of sin? (Rom 6:17-18)

Most do not feel that they are in slavery. They would say that they do whatever they feel like. Why is this a problem?



Rescue: the act of being delivered from captivity or danger

We need rescuing because:

- We were _____ (Lk 19:10)
- We were _____ in our sin (Eph 2:1)
- We were _____ (Eph 2:12; Rom 5:6 while we were _____; Rom 5:8 while we were yet _____; Rom 5:10 while we were _____)

1. God the rescuer (Rom 5:8; Lk 15:3-5)

Col 1:13 He rescued us from the domain of _____ and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son

2 Tim 4:18 The Lord will rescue me from every _____ deed and will bring me safely to His heavenly kingdom

Ps 40:1-2 He brought me up out of the pit of destruction, out of the miry clay, and He set my feet upon a rock making my footsteps _____.

- The means is the gospel message and our faith responding to the grace of God (Eph 2:8)

Does God continue to rescue us today?
How?

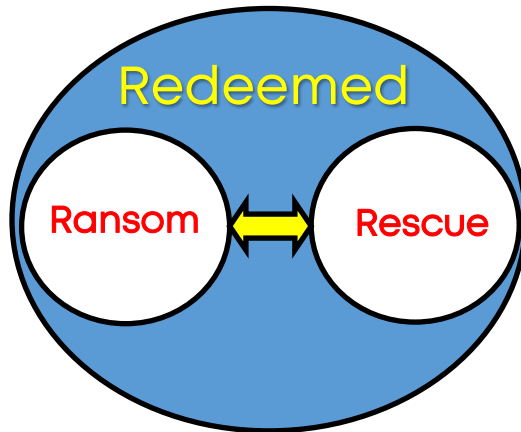
Ransom

- Focuses on _____ paid
- Shows _____ of sin
- Demonstrates Christ's _____

Rescue

- Focuses on _____
- Shows _____ of sin
- Demonstrates God's saving _____

Salvation is not merely improvement—it is _____, _____



3. Redeemed (Redemption) is the term for this whole _____

- Lk 1:68; Rom 3:24; Eph 1:7; 1 Pet 1:18-19
 - Without ransom, rescue would not be possible
 - Without rescue, the ransom would not accomplish its purpose

What dangers exist when Christians forget the cost of their salvation (2 Pet 1:8-11)

How does a rescued person feel?

How do we play the role of rescuers? (Jude 22-23)

How would you explain this concept to someone unfamiliar with the *vocabulary of salvation*?

