

# Bought Without Money

1 Peter 1:13-21

Introduction:

- A. The Bible uses several figures to describe our salvation:
  - 1. A birth, a death and resurrection, a redemption.
  - 2. To redeem is to buy or ransom (cf. 1 Cor. 6:20; 7:13).
- B. Peter answer three questions that the idea redemption raises:

Discussion:

## I. *With What Are the Saved Bought?*

- A. Not with money (v. 18; cf. Acts 8:20).
- B. Not with animal blood (Heb. 9:11-15; 10:1-4).
- C. But “the precious blood of Christ.” (v. 19)
  - 1. Sacrifice began with the cross and completed with the ascension (cf. Heb. 9:12).
  - 2. Benefits began only after blood offered in “holy place.” (Cf. Thief, 50 days.)
  - 3. Benefits are derived from obeying (vv. 20-25; cf. Rom. 6:3, 4).

## II. *From What Are the Saved Bought?*

- A. Some saved from vanity of idolatry (cf. Acts 14:15)
  - 1. With its sanctioned immorality (cf. fertility rites)
  - 2. With its sanctioned polytheism.
- B. Some saved from the vanity of human tradition (v. 18)
  - 1. The vanity of human tradition in worship (Matt. 15:9)
  - 2. Humanly devised religion effects generations to come (“received from fathers.”)
- C. All must be saved from love, practice and guilt of “vain conversation.”
  - 1. Love and practice in repentance.
  - 2. Guilt in baptism (Acts 2:28; 22:16).

## III. *For What Are the Saved Bought?*

- A. A life of holiness (vv. 15, 16).
  - 1. Separated from a life of sin (1 Cor. 6:9-11).
  - 2. Dedicated to a life of holiness.
- B. A life of hope (v. 21).
  - 1. Hope for the resurrection (Acts 23:6; Rom. 8:20-25).
  - 2. Hope of heaven (1 Pet. 1:3-5)

Conclusion:

- A. Have you accepted the redemption that is in Christ? Not if you have not obeyed!
- B. Have you turned your back on that blood (cf. Heb. 10:26-28)? Return!