

Redemption is the saving work of Jesus Christ on the Cross whereby all humanity is bought from the slave market of sin in which they were born and delivered to the freedom of grace. It becomes a reality for a person when they make the non-meritorious decision to believe in Jesus Christ for salvation (Eph. 1:7; Rom. 3:23). Christ's spiritual death on the Cross was the ransom price paid to redeem sinners from the slave market of sin (1 Pet. 1:18-19). Redemption is for everyone, i.e., unlimited atonement (2 Cor. 5:14-15; 1 Tim. 4:10; 1 John 2:2), since the entire world is affected by sin. It includes forgiveness by God of all sin (Heb. 9:22). Redemption also provides the basis for justification and immediate cleansing of sin at salvation (Rom. 3:24).

Sin affects all members of the human race. The Lord Jesus Christ was judged for every sin ever committed by the human race (2 Cor. 5:14-15; 1 Tim. 4:10). Sin is not an issue anymore with God. The Lord Jesus Christ died for every member of the human race. This speaks of the doctrine of the unlimited atonement (1 Tim. 4:10; 1 John 2:2). Because the Lord Jesus Christ died for the sins of the whole world, redemption is available to the entire human race (1 Pet. 2:24; John 1:12).

Adam was commanded not to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil (Gen. 2:17a). The penalty for disobedience to the command was spiritual death (Gen. 2:17b). Adam did not die physically, but spiritually when he ate from the tree (Rom. 6:23a). Adam died physically 900 years later (Gen. 5:5). Spiritual death has been passed down to the entire human race as a result of Adam's disobedience. Spiritual death is loss of fellowship with God. Adam's original sin plus Adam's sinful trend equals spiritual death. Adam's sin is directly imputed by the justice of God at the moment of PHYSICAL BIRTH. Adam's trend is passed down genetically through the male in copulation. The genetically formed old sin nature is the home or target for the imputation of Adam's sin. This result is spiritual death in us. When we receive the imputation of Adam's sin to our genetically formed old sin nature at physical birth, we are spiritually dead. We lack a human spirit. We are totally helpless because we are born spiritually

Regeneration is solely the work of God, no human works are involved. God the Holy Spirit creates a human spirit. God the Father imputes eternal life to our human spirit. The results of Regeneration: (1) God becomes our Father (2 Cor. 6:18). (2) We become sons of God (John 1:12). (3) We become members of the Royal Family of God (Gal. 3:26).