

We were Purchased with His Blood

- *shepherd the church of God which He **purchased with His own blood.** Acts 20:28*
- *Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? 20 For **you were bought at a price;** therefore glorify God in **your body and in your spirit, which are God's.** 1 Cor 6:19-20*

Purchased with Blood (Life)

- *there will be false teachers among you, who will secretly bring in destructive heresies, even denying **the Lord who bought them**, and bring on themselves swift destruction. 2 Peter 2:1-2*
- *being justified freely by His grace through the **redemption that is in Christ Jesus**, 25 whom God set forth as **a propitiation by His blood**, through faith, to demonstrate His righteousness, Rom 3:24-25*

Purchased for God with Your Blood

- *in whom **we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins.** Col 1:14*
- *who **gave Himself for us to redeem us** from every lawless deed, and to purify for Himself **a people for His own possession**, zealous for good deeds. Titus 2:14*
- *"Worthy are You to take the book and to break its seals; for You were slain, and **purchased for God with Your blood men** from every tribe and tongue and people and nation. Rev 5:9*

He was Rich & Became Poor

- *know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though **He was rich**, yet for your sakes **He became poor**, that **you through His poverty might become rich.** 2 Cor 8:9*

Most Expensive Purchase

- *existed in the form of God,”*
- *emptied Himself,*
- *taking the form of a bond-servant,*
- *and being made in the likeness of men.”*
- *He humbled Himself*
- *by becoming obedient to the point of death,*
- *even death on a cross.” Phil. 2:6-9*

The full Cost of His Poverty

- *He is despised and rejected by men,*
- *A Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief.*
- *But He was wounded for our transgressions,*
- *He was bruised for our iniquities;*
- *chastisement for our peace was upon Him,*
- *And by His stripes we are healed.*
- *When You make His soul an offering for sin,*
- *Because He poured out His soul unto death,*
- *He was numbered with the transgressors,*
- *And He bore the sin of many,*
- *And made intercession for the transgressors.*

The Nature of Good Purchase

- First – We discover a need
- Second – We determine importance of need
- A difference between a want and a need.
- Third – An assessment of the product.
- Will this product really fulfill the need.
- Fourth – After research and soul-searching, we make the decision to make the purchase.
- We know within a few weeks if it was a good or bad purchase:
- The better it fulfills need ... Happier we are

Jesus had Needs

- 1st and foremost – the need of compassion, mercy, love, and forgiveness.
- 2nd the need to validate all God's promises made to previous generations, activating & energizing God's eternal purpose.
- It was only a plan until Jesus paid the price.
- Jesus had other needs revealed in the figures:
- Head/Body; King/Kingdom; Vine/Branches
Shepherd/Sheep; Husband/Wife;
Master/Steward; Lord/Servants;

The Needs Made the Purchase: Excellent

- *that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. Rom 3:26*
- *He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1Jn 1:9*
- *For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified. Heb 10:14*
- *with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption. Heb 9:12-13*

What of the Purchase of Me?

- Was it worth it to purchase me?
- *For **you were bought at a price**; therefore glorify God in **your body and in your spirit, which are God's**. 1 Cor 6:19-20*
- *who **gave Himself for us to redeem us** from every lawless deed, and to purify for Himself **a people for His own possession**, zealous for good deeds. Titus 2:14*
- Everyone who obeys the gospel is purchased. The Judgement Day will reveal the value.

The Parable of the Dragnet

- *"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet that was cast into the sea and gathered some of every kind, 48 which, when it was full, they drew to shore; and they sat down and gathered the good into vessels, but threw the bad away. 49 So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come forth, separate the wicked from among the just, 50 and cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth." Mt. 13:47-50*

- If we don't want to wail... we better work.

The Role of a Steward

- *It is like a man going to a far country, who left his house and gave authority to his servants, and to each his work, and commanded the doorkeeper to watch. 35 Watch therefore, for you do not know when the master of the house is coming — in the evening, at midnight, at the crowing of the rooster, or in the morning — 36 lest, coming suddenly, he find you sleeping. 37 And what I say to you, I say to all: Watch!”*
Mk. 13:34-37

The Role of a Steward

- *Let a man so consider us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God. 2 Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful. 1 Cor 4:1-3*
- *As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. 1 Peter 4:10-11*
- We are all stewards with gifts.
- As good stewards we must minister.
- It is required of all stewards: Be Faithful.

Parable of the Faithful Servant

- *"Let your waist be girded and your lamps burning; 36 and you yourselves be like men who wait for their master, when he will return from the wedding, that when he comes and knocks they may open to him immediately. 37 Blessed are those servants whom the master, when he comes, will find watching. ...38 And if he should come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find them so, blessed are those servants. Luke 12:35-37*

Parable of the Faithful Servant/Steward

- *Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect." 41 Then Peter said to Him, "Lord, do You speak this parable only to us, or to all people?" 42 And the Lord said, "**Who then is that faithful and wise steward, whom his master will make ruler over his household, to give them their portion of food in due season?** 43 Blessed is that servant whom his master will find so doing when he comes. Luke 12:40-43*

The Good Works of a Faithful Steward

- *“who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, **zealous for good works**. ... 3:8 This is a faithful saying, and these things I **want you to affirm constantly, that those who have believed in God should be careful to maintain good works**. These things are good and profitable to men. ... 14 And **let our people also learn to maintain good works, to meet urgent needs, that they may not be unfruitful.** (Titus 2:14-15; 3:8, 14)*