



What is Redemption?

Isaiah 47:4

Items Needed

- ✓ Bible with marked scripture
- ✓ Markers/Crayons/Pencils
- ✓ Index Cards
- ✓ Two cloth bags or envelopes
- ✓ Six coins
- ✓ Scarf or soft rope
- ✓ Copies of coloring sheet
- ✓ Copies of take home overview



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Objective of Lesson

We have broken God's law; we are in bondage to sin, and we cannot pay the price to ransom our souls out of that bondage. We need a Kinsman Redeemer - a man like us, who is not in bondage, who is willing and able to pay the ransom to set us free from our bondage to sin. Jesus Christ, The Son of God, is our Kinsman Redeemer. Through His death on the cross we have been redeemed! Our Lord is our Redeemer and He has had mercy!

Scripture Reference

Isaiah 47:4 As for our redeemer, the LORD of hosts is his name, the Holy One of Israel.

Lesson Instructions

1. Today we are going to play a game. Have each child sit down at the table you have prepared beforehand. Depending upon how many children you have you may have to use stuffed animals or dolls, etc. to fill the spaces at the table. Have every child look under their chair. The child who has the card reading "captive" placed under his/her chair must be taken captive. Bind his/her hands behind his/her back and place him/her in the corner of the room. They are an enemy to the king and have disobeyed the King's law. Tell him/her they no longer have the right to interact and sit with the others at the

table. They have to sit in the corner by themselves.

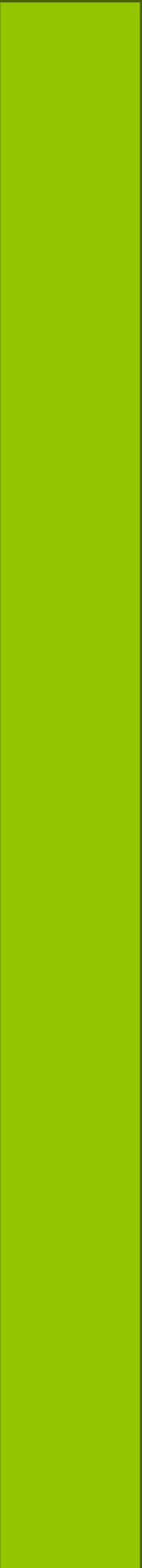
2. Now explain the only way to get out of the corner is to pay the ransom or price for their freedom. That price is four coins. Ask the prisoner if he/she can pay the price. Point out they have nothing with which to pay for their freedom. They must sit in the corner till their ransom is paid.
3. Now explain that there is another way. Someone else can pay the ransom, but there is a catch, not just anyone can pay it. The person who saves you and pays your ransom has to be free (not a slave like the prisoner) and must kin to you. That means they have to be your mother, your sister, your brother, your uncle, your aunt, etc. and they must be allowed to sit at the King's table. Point out that someone at the King's table is their kinsman. Have them look at their cards and see who is related to the prisoner. There should be two people related to the prisoner at the table.
4. Once you have discovered who the relatives are, ask them to look in their bags of coins. They not only have to be a kinsman but they have to pay the price to regain the captive's freedom. Does either of the kinsman have what it takes to pay that price? The price is four coins. Have each of them to count the coins in their bag and see who has the correct amount to pay.
5. Once you have discovered who has the ability to pay the ransom then ask that person if they are willing to buy the prisoner's freedom. If they say yes then they have met all the criteria to redeem the prisoner and give them their freedom back. That makes them the prisoner's redeemer. Have the kinsman pay the price and escort the prisoner back to his/her place at the table; the captive is now free.
6. Explain this is exactly what Christ did for His people. We disobeyed God; we broke His law; we are no longer welcome to sit at the King's table and fellowship with Him. (Have them ALL get up from the table and go sit in the corner). The only way to get out of bondage is to pay the price or ransom for sin. Do you know what the ransom for the sinful soul is? Eternal Death (Rom. 6:23, Ezekiel 18:4). We have to die forever. Can we pay that? If we died

forever, the payment for our sin would never be met. It would never pay for the horrible sin we are in bondage to - but wait, we have a kinsman redeemer! He is a man that is our brother, a man that is perfect, who is not in bondage to sin as we are, who can pay the ransom of death to free our souls. There is a man whose death meets the ransom price for a sinful soul AND He is WILLING to pay that price to redeem us from our bondage of sin. Who is this man? He is The Son of God. Jesus Christ is our kinsman redeemer. His blood is precious and His death is more than enough to pay for our sins.

7. Is He willing to pay that price for His people to ransom them? We need to be redeemed! Did Christ, our kinsman, die and pay for our sins against God? What does the Bible say? Romans 5:7-9 King James Version (KJV) "7For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die. 8But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. 9Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him."
8. All God's people who are in bondage of sin, who need a kinsman redeemer, are now set free from their bondage and sin and are welcome to sit again at the King's table. Isaiah 54:8 "In a little wrath I hid my face from thee for a moment; but with everlasting kindness will I have mercy on thee, saith the LORD thy Redeemer."

Lesson Activities

- Preparation for the lesson: Set up a central table with a chair for each child. This will be the "King's Table." Place an additional chair in the corner of the room. This will be the "Prison".
- Create a set of at least four index cards. One card should read "captive". Two cards should read "Brother" and the other card should read "friend". If you have more students than those four cards, all other cards should read "friend". You should end up with one per child/per



chair. (Note: If you do not have enough students to fulfill the four roles, use stuffed animals or dolls to fill the role of "captive" and "friend")

- Create two bags of coins. In the first bag place two coins. In the second bag place four coins.
- Before the lesson starts, place one card under each chair. Place a coin bag under each of the chairs in which you placed the "brother" cards. It does not matter where the children sit. Have them sit in any chair they choose. You will not know who the "captive" or "brothers" will be till the lesson starts.
- Coloring Sheet



Take Home Lesson Overview

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