



REDEMPTION

The Ologies Lesson 16



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LESSON 16 - REDEMPTION

MAIN POINT:

MESSAGE NOTES:¹

Listen to or view message #16 in *The Ologies*, “Redemption,” at pscconline.com. You can also find it by searching for Pleasant Street Church of Christ on your favorite podcasting service or on the Faithlife app on Apple TV or Roku.

Thought Questions:

1. What are some ways that God redeems the hurts of our past?
2. How is God going to redeem creation through Israel?
3. What does this plan of redemption have to do with Gentiles like us?
4. How should we respond to God’s plan of redemption?

Next Steps:

1. How have you failed to participate in God’s redemption?
2. What will you do this week to join with God’s people in his big project?

Obedience Challenge: Say So

Write out your redemption story. This could either be about how Christ has redeemed you when you first put your faith in him or you could relate one of the many ways that he has redeemed you from difficult circumstances since then. Read Psalm 107 for some ideas. Be sure to include enough detail to make your story interesting, but not so much that someone will get lost in the minutia. Generally, 300 words is ideal. After you’ve finished it, share it either in person or via social media.

¹ You will share your notes during the Collaboration time of your Life Team meeting.

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DAILY DEVOTION GUIDE:

Read the following Scriptures about humankind as created beings, throughout this week. Use the [SOAP journaling method](#) to help you go deeper into the text. (See Handout)

- Monday – Genesis 41
- Tuesday – Exodus 12
- Wednesday – Psalm 107
- Thursday – Isaiah 9
- Friday – Luke 15
- Saturday – 1 Peter 1:13-2:10

During your Life Team meeting, you'll be given the opportunity to share some of your Application entries. Consider bookmarking any that you'll want to share by way of confession or to encourage others.

Or copy it here for easy reference:

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INTERGENERATIONAL GATHERING GUIDE:

Primer Exercise:

For Children

Play Monopoly as a family, with one addition. Replace the Community Chest cards with the Jubilee Cards that you can find at <https://psconline.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Jubilee-cards.pdf>

If your children are too young to play Monopoly, play a more age-appropriate game in which scores accumulate in real time such as Corn Hole or Go Fish. Explain that whenever you shout, “Jubilee” either the score will go to zero or everyone will have to switch their card hand with the person next to them. Set a timer for three minutes or so and shout Jubilee when it goes off.

After you’ve played Monopoly or another game, ask your family: How did the Jubilee rule make this game better? In what ways did it make it worse?

Read Leviticus 25:23-28 in a kid-friendly translation such as the New Living or the NIRV, and ask:

1. What would make living under this system hard?
2. How would it be a good thing?
3. Why do you think God wanted everyone to get their family’s property back every fifty years?

Everyone Else

Watch the 2002 M. Night Shyamalan movie, *Signs*.

Discuss the following:

- What had the family in the movie lost?
- How did their loss affect them in a negative way?
- How does the family’s suffering get reversed?
- What affect does this reversal have on them?

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The three sessions below are designed for home devotional use. Each session should be done in a separate sitting.

Session One: “Walk Among You”

- Compare Leviticus 26:9-12 with Genesis 3:17-23
 - How do God’s promises in Leviticus address God’s punishment on Adam and Eve?
 - In what ways does Leviticus 26 not fix what got broken in Genesis 3?
- Application and Prayer
 - How can doing the right thing fix bad things we’ve done?
 - What are some examples of bad things that we as people can’t fix?

Session Two: “Too Rich for my Blood”

- Read Psalm 49
 - What can’t money or wisdom do for us?
 - Why is that important to know?
 - Why is it more important to trust in God than in money or other people?
- Application and Prayer
 - If you had a million dollars, how would you invest it in God’s eternal kingdom?
 - How can you invest the money you do have in the same way only smaller?

Session Three: “Go to Your Room!”

- Read Isaiah 26:12-21
 - What does Isaiah praise God for in this passage?
 - How had Israel failed God as a nation?
 - How would God do what Israel failed to do?
- Application and Prayer
 - Now that Christ has come, what can we do to bring salvation to the earth?
 - How can we be sure that we won’t fail like Israel did?

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LIFE TEAM GATHERING GUIDE:

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There Is A Redeemer

John 3:16

Words and music by
Melody Green

Art. by Darrell Bledsoe

1. There is a Re-deem - er, Je - sus God's own Son;
 2. Je - sus, my Re - deem - er, Name a - bove all names,
 3. When I stand in Glo - ry, I will see His face,

Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes - si - ah, Ho - ly One.
 Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes - si - ah, Hope - ful - ly
 There I'll serve my King for - ev - er In that ho - ly place.

Chorus

Thank You, oh, my Fa - ther, for giv - ing us Your Son, and

leav - ing Your Spir - it 'til the work on earth is done.

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What the Lord Has Done in Me

Words & Music: Reuben Morgan

1. Let the weak say I am strong, Let the poor say I am rich;
 2. In the riv - er I will wade, There my sins are washed a - way;
 3. I will rise from wa - ters deep To the sav - ing arms of God;

Let the blind say I can see, It's what the Lord has done in me.
 By the heav - en's mer - cy stream Of the Sav - ior's love for me.
 I will sing sal - va - tion songs, Je - sus Christ has set me free.

Chorus

Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na to the Lamb that was slain,
 Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Je - sus died and rose a - gain.

Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Je - sus died and rose a - gain.

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Scripture Discussion

- Read Isaiah 9:1-7
 - What examples do you see of God undoing the pain of Israel's past?
 - What indications do you see that God will assure their future?
 - Read Ruth 4:13-17 and compare with vs. 6. Why do you think it's important that this "Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, etc., become a child born *to us*?

Pray

- Get a volunteer to close the prayer time at the end.
- Recite Psalm 130 together as a segue into your prayer time:

Out of the depths I cry to you, LORD;

Lord, hear my voice.

Let your ears be attentive

to my cry for mercy.

If you, LORD, kept a record of sins,

Lord, who could stand?

But with you there is forgiveness,

so that we can, with reverence, serve you.

I wait for the LORD, my whole being waits,

and in his word I put my hope.

I wait for the Lord

more than watchmen wait for the morning,

more than watchmen wait for the morning.

Israel, put your hope in the LORD,

for with the LORD is unfailing love

and with him is full redemption.

He himself will redeem Israel

from all their sins.

- Pray for needs and have volunteer close.

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Collaborate

Each participant should have listened to Message #16 in *The Ologies*, “Redemption” in person or online and taken notes.

- Have everyone share their answers to the **Thought Questions** in their *Message Notes*.
- If anyone has already done the **Obedience Challenge**, have them report on how it went and what they learned.
- Encourage (but don't require) participants to share their **Next Steps** or any **Application** entries from their SOAP journals.
- Close by praying for each other's **Next Steps** and **Application** entries.