1. We are loved by the Father! (covered last week)

2. We are redeemed by the Son!

**Ephesians 1:7-12 (ESV)**  
In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, \(^\text{7}\) which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight \(^\text{8}\) making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ \(^\text{9}\) as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. \(^\text{10}\) In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, \(^\text{11}\) so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory.

- **The Need of Redemption:**  
  ‘In Him’ (Eph. 1:7a)
  
  “the word redemption means deliverance by payment of a price”

- **The Price of Redemption:**  
  Christ’s Blood (Eph. 1:7b)

- **The Results of Redemption:**  
  Forgiveness and Wisdom (Eph. 1:7c, 8a)

- **The Gift of Redemption:**  
  Lavished with Grace (Eph. 1:7-8)

- **The Goal of Redemption:**  
  Christ’s Cosmic Supremacy (Eph. 1:9-10)

**Ephesians 1:9-10 (ESV)** \(^\text{9}\) making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ \(^\text{10}\) as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

3 obstacles to this unity…
- Christ overcomes the dark powers
- Christ overcomes the deadness of the human soul
- Christ overcomes the division of people

“In the fullness of time, God’s two creations, his whole universe, and his whole church, will be unified under the cosmic Christ who is the supreme head of both.” - John Stott

Life would become worship if we would focus on our issues in their proper place of God’s timeless existence and eternal glory.

**Colossians 1:20 (ESV)** and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.
The Promise of Redemption: Inheritance (Eph. 1:11-12)

Ephesians 1:11-12 (ESV) 11 In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, 12 so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory.

See 1 Peter 1:3-5 and 2 Corinthians 1:20-22

3. We are indwelt by the Holy Spirit! Ephesians 1:13-14

3 Descriptions of the Spirit

1. Promise (Eph. 1:13)

John 14:15-17 (ESV) 15 If you love me, you will keep my commandments. 16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, 17 even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

Who is the Holy Spirit?

- He is the third person of the Trinity whom Jesus called the Helper.
- He possesses all the qualities of personhood.
- He possesses all the attributes of deity.
- He is a Necessary Helper (John 14:12)
- He is a Sufficient Helper (John 14:16)
- He is a Constant Helper (John 16:7)

How Does the Holy Spirit Help us?

- He indwells us (John 14:15-18).
- He communicates divine truth (John 14:17; 26).
- He comforts us in our weaknesses (John 14:27).
- He helps us bear witness (John 15:26-27).
- He convicts people of sin (John 16:7-11).
- He guides us into truth (John 16:13).
- He glorifies Jesus (John 16:14).

2. A Seal (Eph. 1:13) See also Ephesians 4:30

4 uses of the word “seal”: Security, Authenticity, Ownership, and Authority

3. A Guarantee (Eph. 1:14)