

Real Freedom

Colossians 1: 12-14

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I. You Are Qualified (Enabled)

Colossians 1:12

...thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the kingdom of light. (NIV)

Paul writes to the Colossians:

1. God is the one who _____ them for the inheritance.
2. Now they qualify. Period. Nos discussion. No _____.
3. You belong to a _____.

We are living under one of two authorities, a part of one of two different kingdoms. Either we live under the kingdom of _____ or the Kingdom of his dear _____.

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II. There Are Two Kingdoms

The Colossians had fallen prey to teachers who said: Jesus is _____, but _____ . You must add something to his work.

Paul says: Jesus is _____.

**The Kingdom of Darkness is the kingdom
in which you are _____ own _____.**

**The Kingdom of His Son is the life lived
with _____ on the throne. Jesus is _____ and _____.**

Paul said: “...*he has rescued us from the kingdom of darkness and transferred us into the Kingdom of his dear Son.*”

III. What Jesus Did

Colossians 1:14

“...his dear Son,¹⁴ who purchased our freedom^[a] and forgave our sins.”

A. He Purchased Your _____

So, Jesus is our _____, the one who paid the _____
to save us from the kingdom of darkness, and _____ us into the
Kingdom of His Son.

We are transferred from the kingdom of _____ to the
kingdom of God, where Jesus is _____.

B. He Forgave Your _____

Sin is the biblical term used to describe the condition of man’s life when he serves as his
own _____--master of his own fate. A life in which he is his own
_____.

A life in sin is a life in the kingdom of darkness—the place where the
_____ of God is snubbed in favor of _____.

C. Jesus _____

Forgiveness is the removal of _____ and the
_____ guilt has over us.

Jesus removes the _____. That is forgiveness.

And he did that when he went to the _____ for you.

He is _____ to remove your guilt.

There is nothing you _____ or _____ do to add to what he has done.