

I AM REDEEMED

I BELONG TO GOD

In the Old Testament:

- The theme of redemption centres around the People of Israel, especially the action of God (Yahweh) in rescuing the tribes from slavery and forced labour in Egypt:
 - *Exodus 6:6-7*

- This great act of redemption brought them into a relationship with Yahweh and forged the tribes into a nation, covenanted to him:

- *Exodus 19:4-6*

REDEMPTION:

- A ransom price paid to buy someone out of captivity, slavery or imprisonment:
- Buying back property forfeited because of debt:
- The price paid to 'buy back' from God the firstborn of animals and firstborn sons 'owed' to God because of the Passover (*Exodus 13:11-16*)

OT hints of a greater redemption:

- *Psalm 130:7-8 – from sin*
- *Hosea 13:14 – from death*

THE NEW TESTAMENT:

- Jesus, the Lamb of God, paid our ransom, honoured our debt with his life-blood:
 - *Mark 10:45*
 - *1 Timothy 2:4-6*



I HAVE THE SECURITY OF KNOWING:

- I have been **rescued** from the enslavement of sin and shame and the corruption of this fallen and broken world: *Colossians 1:13-14*
- I have been **pardoned and forgiven** for my sin: *Ephesians 1:7*

- I have been **released** from the debt I owe to God: *Matthew 6:12*
- I have been **set free** from any obligation to Satan, the Accuser: *Colossians 2:13-15*

- I have been **purchased** to serve (willingly as a free person) another Master: *1 Corinthians 6:19-20; 1 Peter 1:18-19; Revelation 5:9-10*
- I have been **promised** the future redemption of my sin-scarred body: *Romans 8:23-24a*