

A photograph of a tree growing on a rocky cliffside. The tree is the central focus, with its trunk leaning slightly to the right. The background shows a valley with rolling hills and a body of water, all under a hazy, overcast sky. The overall tone is muted and atmospheric.

Rooted: What God has Done

Ephesians 1:7-14



I. Redeemed: Our sin debt was paid in full

He is so rich in kindness and grace that he purchased our freedom with the blood of his Son and forgave our sins. 8 He has showered his kindness on us, along with all wisdom and understanding. Ephesians 1:7-8 (NLT)

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Just as the rich rule the poor, so the borrower is servant to the lender. Proverbs 22:7 (NLT)

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I appeal to you to show kindness to my child, Onesimus. I became his father in the faith while here in prison. 11 Onesimus hasn't been of much use to you in the past, but now he is very useful to both of us. 12 I am sending him back to you, and with him comes my own heart. 13 I wanted to keep him here with me while I am in these chains for preaching the Good News, and he would have helped me on your behalf. 14 But I didn't want to do anything without your consent. I wanted you to help because you were willing, not because you were forced.

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15 It seems you lost Onesimus for a little while so that you could have him back forever. 16 He is no longer like a slave to you. He is more than a slave, for he is a beloved brother, especially to me. Now he will mean much more to you, both as a man and as a brother in the Lord. 17 So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. 18 If he has wronged you in any way or owes you anything, charge it to me. Philemon 1:10-17 (NLT)

A misty landscape with a large tree on a rocky hillside. The scene is hazy, with a large tree in the foreground on the left, its branches reaching across the frame. The background shows a valley with a river or stream, partially obscured by mist. The overall tone is soft and atmospheric.

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I saw some naive young men, and one in particular who lacked common sense. 8 He was crossing the street near the house of an immoral woman, strolling down the path by her house. 9 It was at twilight, in the evening, as deep darkness fell. 10 The woman approached him, seductively dressed and sly of heart. 11 She was the brash, rebellious type, never content to stay at home. 12 She is often in the streets and markets, soliciting at every corner. 13 She threw her arms around him and kissed him, and with a brazen look she said, 14 “I’ve just made my peace offerings and fulfilled my vows. 15 You’re the one I was looking for! I came out to find you, and here you are! Proverbs 7:7-14 (NLT)

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II. In Christ: We have an inheritance

God has now revealed to us his mysterious plan regarding Christ, a plan to fulfill his own good pleasure. 10 And this is the plan: At the right time he will bring everything together under the authority of Christ—everything in heaven and on earth. 11 Furthermore, because we are united with Christ, we have received an inheritance from God, for he chose us in advance, and he makes everything work out according to his plan. 12 God's purpose was that we Jews who were the first to trust in Christ would bring praise and glory to God.
Ephesians 1:9-12 (NLT)

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How should knowing we have an inheritance effect the way we live?

- 1. We need to focus on the future.**
- 2. Take our eyes off the present.**

III. New to Christ

And now you Gentiles have also heard the truth, the Good News that God saves you. And when you believed in Christ, he identified you as his own by giving you the Holy Spirit, whom he promised long ago. 14 The Spirit is God's guarantee that he will give us the inheritance he promised and that he has purchased us to be his own people. He did this so we would praise and glorify him. Ephesians 1:13-14 (NLT)

III. New to Christ

Let me now remind you, dear brothers and sisters, of the Good News I preached to you before. You welcomed it then, and you still stand firm in it. 2 It is this Good News that saves you if you continue to believe the message I told you—unless, of course, you believed something that was never true in the first place. 3 I passed on to you what was most important and what had also been passed on to me. Christ died for our sins, just as the Scriptures said. 4 He was buried, and he was raised from the dead on the third day, just as the Scriptures said.

1 Corinthians 15:1-4(NLT)

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What someone must know to be redeemed

- 1. We are all sinners.**
- 2. There is nothing they can do to get forgiveness of sins.**
- 3. Jesus died in our place.**
- 4. He rose again on the third day to proclaim victory over sin and death.**
- 5. We need to surrender our life to Christ**

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