

Colossians Series

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A landscape photograph showing a field of trees in the foreground, a hill in the middle ground, and mountains in the background under a clear blue sky. The text is overlaid on the image.

**COLOSSIANS:
Jesus Christ is All-Sufficient**

**We Are Truly Forgiven
Colossians 1:14**

Col. 1:12, “giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light

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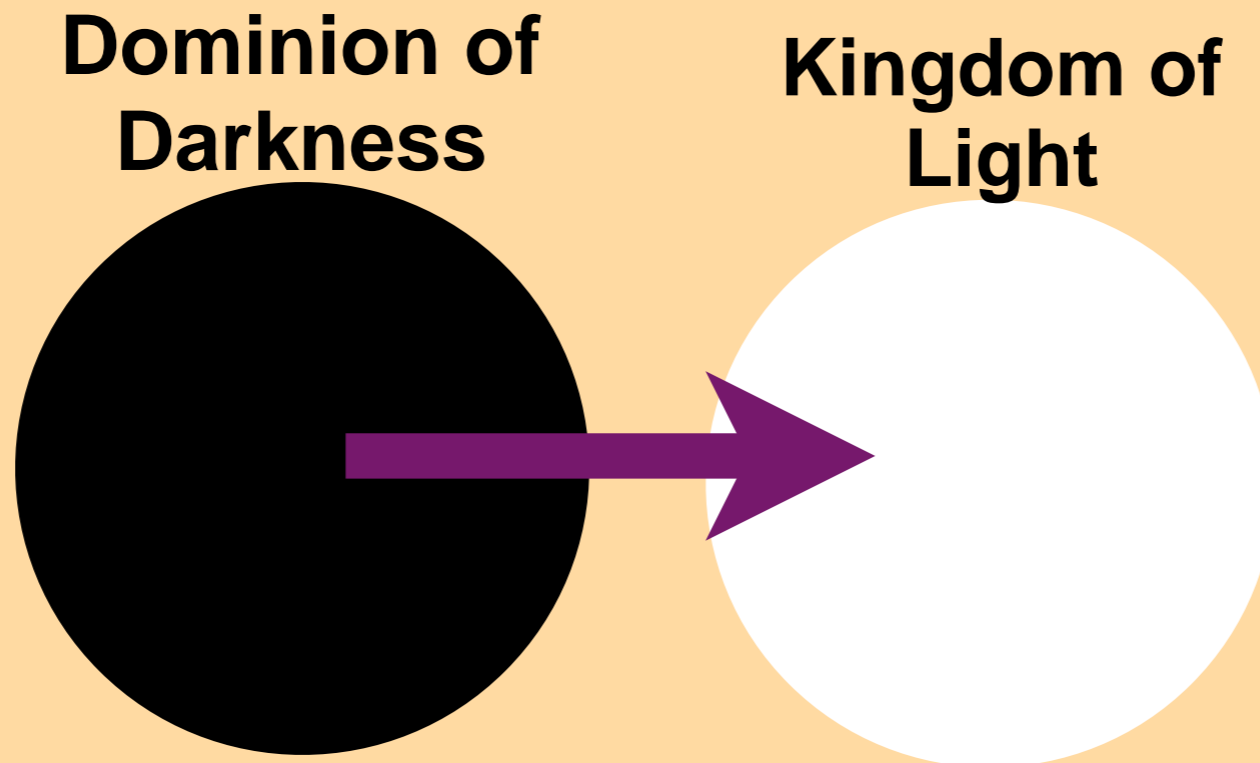
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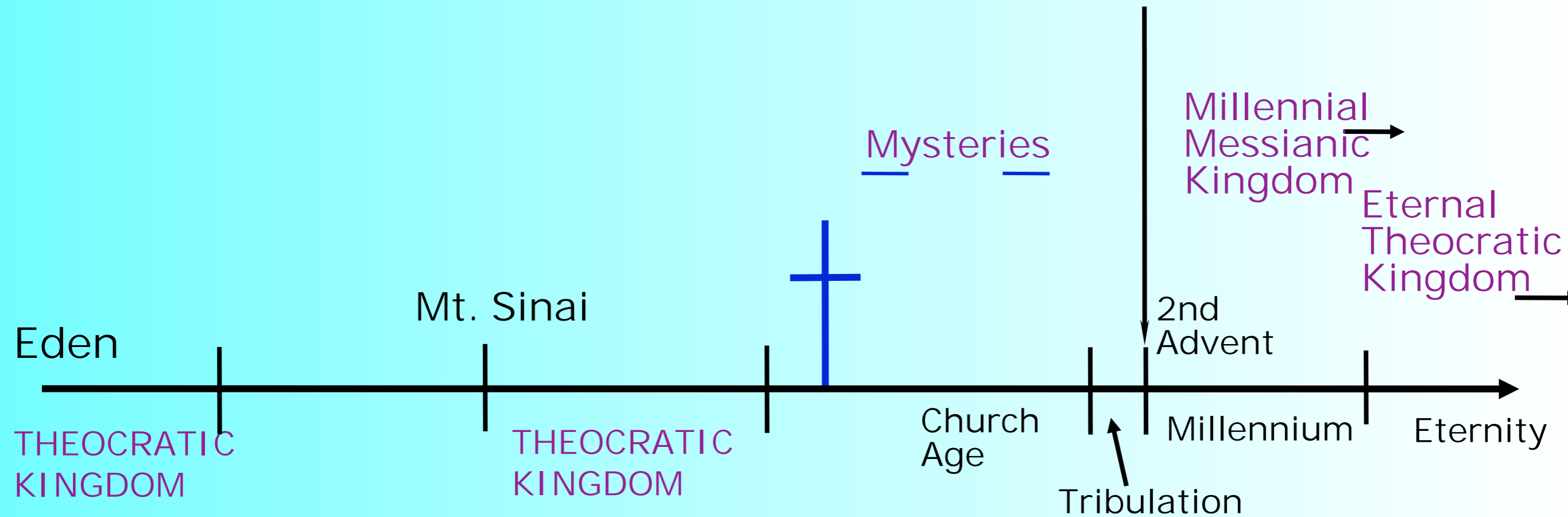
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**μεθίστημι *methistemi*
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“to remove, change,
turn aside, cause a
change of position”**



KINGDOM OF GOD IN THE BIBLE

← The Universal/Sovereign Kingdom →



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In what way does redemption = forgiveness?

What does redemption mean?

What does forgiveness mean?

Does this mean Christians get away with sin?

What is sin?

So why blood?

Misconceptions About Redemption?

Other English meanings that do NOT apply–

Reform, repair, restore, getting a new chance, to free from distress, to change for the better...

English meanings that DO apply–

To buy back

To free from captivity by payment of a ransom price

To release from blame or debt

To free from the [eternal] consequences of sin

Misconceptions About Forgiveness?

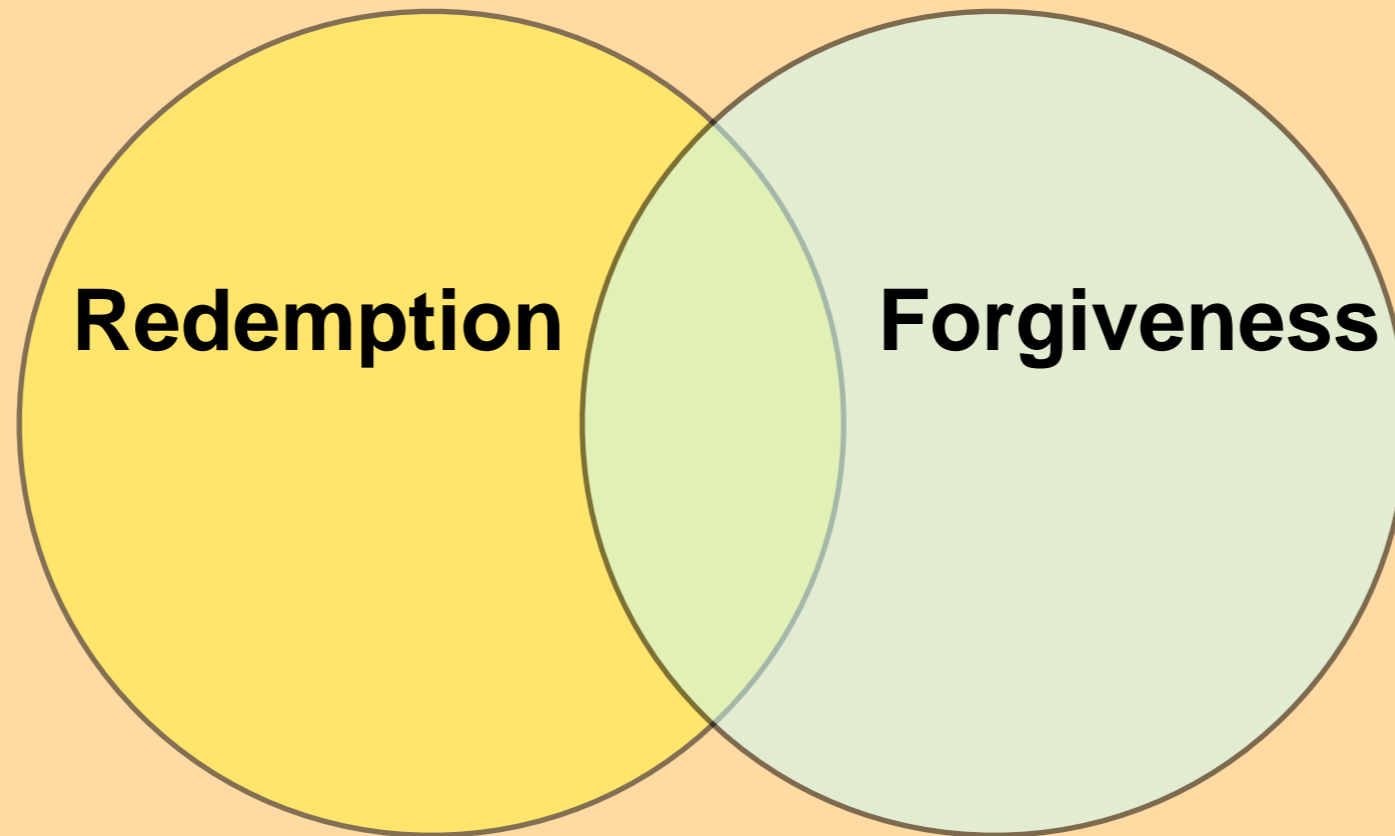
forgiveness = no consequences

Forgiveness means:

- **to cancel a debt**
- **to give up resentment or revenge or mental attitude sins**

Forgiveness may, but does not necessarily, include the removal of negative consequences

Redemption and Forgiveness



REDEMPTION

LUTROO

a. *lutron*

b. *lutrosis*

c. *Antilutron*

d. *apolutrosis*

e. *lutrotes*

f. *lutroo*

AGORAZO

g. *agorazo*

h. *exzagorazo*

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Mark 10:45, “For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom [*lutron*] for many.”

Isa. 53:10, “Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise Him; He has put Him to grief. When You make His soul an offering for sin, He shall see His seed, He shall prolong His days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in His hand.

Isa. 53:11, “He shall see the labor of His soul, and be satisfied. By His knowledge My righteous Servant shall justify many, for He shall bear their iniquities.”

Rom. 3:24, “being justified freely by His grace through the [application of] redemption that is in Christ Jesus,”

1 Cor. 1:30, “But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God—and righteousness and sanctification and [the application of] redemption—”

Eph. 1:7, “In Him we have [the application of] redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace.”

Rom. 8:23, “Not only that, but we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body.”

Eph. 1:14, “who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory.”

Eph. 4:30, “And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.”

ἀπολύτρωσις *apolutrosis*

“setting free for a ransom,” and is used of prisoners of war, slaves, and criminals condemned to death

TDNT

Thus *apolutrosis* emphasizes the experience of release from captivity, release from imprisonment, release from slavery to sin.

Col. 1:14, “in whom we have [the application of redemption] through His blood, the forgiveness of sins.”

Forgiveness [ἄφεσις, *aphesis*]

ἄφεσις, *aphesis*, noun

Release, liberation, forgiveness (*EDNT*);

The act of freeing or liberating or releasing someone from captivity; the act of freeing from an obligation, guilt or punishment; pardon, cancellation. (*BDAG*)

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Acts 10:43, “To Him all the prophets witness that, through His name, whoever believes in Him will receive remission [forgiveness] of sins.”

Acts 26:18, “to open their eyes, in order to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith in Me.”

FOUR Categories of Forgiveness

1. Forgiveness directed toward God, where the justice of God cancels the debt of sin. For all mankind without distinction. *Forensic forgiveness*
2. Forgiveness directed toward individuals, related to imputation of Christ's righteousness and justification. *Positional forgiveness*. Col. 1:14; Eph. 1:7; Acts 26:18.
3. Forgiveness of the believer's ongoing sins at confession. 1 John 1:9. *Experiential forgiveness*
4. Forgiveness toward others as a reflection of God's grace toward us. Eph. 4:32. *Relational forgiveness*

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Col. 1:14, “in whom we have [the application of redemption] through His blood [death], the forgiveness of sins.”