

A. A REDEEMED CHURCH (VS.1-2)

1. REDEEMED PEOPLE ARE SERVANTS OF CHRIST (V.1A)

"PAUL'S LACK OF REFERENCE TO HIS APOSTLESHIP IS IN HARMONY WITH THE OVERALL EMPHASIS OF THIS EPISTLE (CF. 1 AND 2 THESS. AND PHILE.). IN HIS OTHER PRISON EPISTLES, PAUL INTRODUCED HIMSELF AS AN APOSTLE, BUT HERE HE BEGAN BY CALLING HIMSELF SIMPLY A BOND SERVANT. THIS WAS A PERSONAL LETTER RATHER THAN ONE GIVING CORRECTION THAT NEEDED APOSTOLIC AUTHORITY BEHIND IT SO THAT THE **RECIPIENTS WOULD ACCEPT IT AND ACT ON ITS INSTRUCTIONS."**

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A REDEEMED CHURCH (VS.1-2)

1. REDEEMED PEOPLE ARE SERVANTS OF CHRIST (V.1A)

2. REDEEMED PEOPLE ARE SAINTS IN CHRIST (V.1B)

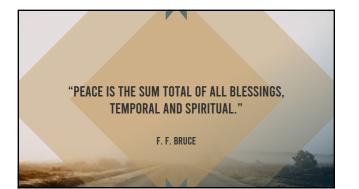
3. REDEEMED PEOPLE ARE SAVED THRU CHRIST! (V.2)

EPH. 2:8

"FOR BY GRACE ARE YOU SAVED, THROUGH FAITH, AND THAT NOT OF YOURSELVES..."

"THEREFORE BEING JUSTIFIED BY FAITH, WE HAVE PEACE With god through our lord jesus christ."

ROM. 5:1









1 SAM. 12:22-23

"FOR THE LORD WILL NOT FORSAKE HIS PEOPLE FOR HIS GREAT NAME'S SAKE: BECAUSE IT HATH PLEASED THE LORD TO MAKE YOU HIS PEOPLE. MOREOVER, AS FOR ME, GOD FORBID THAT I SHOULD SIN AGAINST THE LORD IN CEASING TO PRAY FOR YOU: BUT I WILL TEACH YOU THE GOOD AND THE RIGHT WAY."

