

Why did God redeem Israel?



Why did He bring them out of Egypt?

He did it for several reasons...

To free them from slavery.

“I *am* the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that *you* should not be their slaves; I have broken the bands of your yoke and made you walk upright” (Leviticus 26:13).

To create a people He could call His own, a special group of people separated from all other people on the face of the earth.

“I will take you as My people, and I will be your God” (Exodus 6:7).

“...the LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for Himself, a special treasure above all the peoples on the face of the earth” (Deuteronomy 7:6).

“For you separated them from among all the peoples of the earth *to be* Your inheritance” (1 Kings 8:53).

To make this special people into a holy nation, obedient to His will, so that He might dwell among them.

“For you are a holy people to the LORD your God...a kingdom of priests and a holy nation” (Deut 7:6; Ex. 19:6).

“But this is what I commanded them, saying, 'Obey My voice, and I will be your God, and you shall be My people...’” (Jeremiah 7:23).

“I *am* the LORD their God, who brought them up out of the land of Egypt, that I may dwell among them” (Exodus 29:46).

To give them the land (inheritance) He had promised to them.

“I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, to give you the land of Canaan” (Leviticus 25:38).

“And it shall be, when you come into the land which the LORD your God is giving you *as* an inheritance...” (Deuteronomy 26:1).

“Then He brought us out from there, that He might bring us in, to give us the land of which He swore to our fathers” (Deuteronomy 6:23).

To make a name for Himself—to bring praise and honor to His name.

Pharaoh's question: "Who is the LORD...? (Ex. 5:2).

"And who *is* like Your people, like Israel, the one nation on the earth whom God went to redeem for Himself as a people, to make for Himself a name..." (2 Samuel 7:23).

"and that He will set you high above all nations which He has made, in praise, in name, and in honor, and that you may be a holy people to the LORD your God, just as He has spoken (Deuteronomy 26:19).

Any of this sound familiar?

It should, because He redeemed us for the very same reasons.

The Israelites' redemption was a preview, a foreshadowing of our own.



To free us from slavery.

“knowing this, that our old man was crucified with *Him*, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin. For he who has died has been freed from sin” (Romans 6:6–7).

“who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed...” (Titus 2:14).

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“who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself *His* own special people...” (Titus 2:14).

“But you are a chosen generation...His own special people” (1 Peter 2:9).

“...for You were slain, and have redeemed us to God by Your blood out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation” (Revelation 5:9).

To make this special people into a holy nation, obedient to His will, so that He might dwell among them.

“But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation...” (1 Peter 2:9).

“For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: ‘I will dwell in them and walk among them. And they shall be My people.’ Therefore ‘Come out from among them and be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, and I will receive you.’ ‘I will be a Father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty’” (2 Cor. 6:16–17).

To give us the land (inheritance) He has promised to us.

“I go to prepare a place for you...” (John 14:2).

“to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you” (1 Peter 1:3–4).

“knowing that you have a better and enduring possession for yourselves in heaven” (Heb. 10:34).

To make a name for Himself—to bring praise and honor to His name.

“to the praise of the glory of His grace” (Eph. 1:6);
“to the praise of His glory” (Eph. 1:12, 14).

“that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus” (Eph. 2:7).

“But you *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light...” (1 Peter 2:9).

One more thing about redemption

“You were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot” (1 Peter 1:18–19).

“And when I see the blood, I will pass over you; and the plague shall not be on you to destroy you...”
(Exodus 12:13).

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