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The Names of Love - Part 34 - Jesus Our Redeemer

Mark 10:45, "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many."

This name of Jesus literally means "The Redeemer" - GA'AL, LYTRON

Rev. 5:9, "And they sang a new song, saying: "You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because You were slain, and with Your blood You purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people and nation."

Nothing shows us the love of God more than the fact that He was willing to redeem us from our own sin. We didn't deserve this redemption, but instead we deserved separation and punishment for eternity.

Read through this old illustration and meditate on this fact for a moment. Little Johnny has dedicated his effort and energies into making a beautiful sail boat. He carried with him even to bed. One bright sunny day he set out to try his boat on real waters. He carefully lowered his sail boat in the river and watched with blissful eyes how his boat sailed so smoothly. His face was full of smiles and he seemed to be congratulating himself for a good job done. Suddenly a strong current caught the boat. Johnny tried to pull it back to shore, but the string attached broke. The little boat raced downstream. Darkness fell and with sorrow in his heart and tears in his eyes, Little Johnny returned home because he could no longer trace where the boat went. He had lost something he loved so dearly! A few days later, on the way home from school, Little Johnny spotted a boat very much like his in a store window. And as he entered the shop he realized to his delight that it was his Sail boat. He hurried to the store manager and made a strong case for the return of the sail boat he himself made. "Sorry, son" was the polite reply from the manager, "someone else brought it in this morning. If you want it, you'll have to buy it." The price was too high for him to pay so he went home crying. Just at home musing over the day's happenings, he got a payment plan and quickly ran back to the shop. He begged the manager to remove it from the shelf and allow him to pay in instalments. He quickly paid partly as a sign of commitment from his savings. Then subsequently paid every day denying himself of the cookies and chocolate he would have bought with the money. He virtually ripped himself off of everything but for what he needed to eat to survive. Alas he was able to complete the payment and was handed his boat. Little Johnny left the store, with glee expressed over his face as he hugged his boat and said; "Now you're twice mine. First, I made you and now I bought you." - Copied

Dear Jesus, my Redeemer, Thank You for paying a debt You did not owe. I could never understand this kind of love and yet You gave because of Your great love. Help me today to remember the price You paid for me. In Jesus Name, Amen