

**Title:** Paid In Full

**Text:** Ephesians 1:7-8

**Target:** To live no longer bound by what weighs you down

**I. You have been Purchased by the Blood:**

*"In him we have redemption through his blood," (Vs. 7a)*

**A. A Redemption was Required:**

- 1. Sin was Slavery:** *"Jesus answered them, 'Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin.'" (John 8:34)*
- 2. Justice was Required:** *"For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 6:23)*

**B. The Price was Perfection:**

- 1. His Sinlessness:** *"For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin." (Hebrews 4:15)*
- 2. His Substitution:** *"For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God." (2 Cor. 5:21)*

**C. Joy of Justification:** *"Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." (Romans 5:1)*

**Discussion Question:** When you hear the word "redemption," what comes to mind from your own life?

*(Cross-Reference: John 8:34 – how have you seen sin function like slavery in your own story?)*

**Discussion Question:** What lies or past mistakes try to convince you that you're not fully redeemed?

*(Invite your community group to reflect on Romans 6:23 and the cost Jesus paid.)*

**Discussion Question:** Romans 5:1 says we have peace with God. If that's true, what's keeping you from resting in that peace today?

*(Encourage journaling or silent reflection before answering aloud.)*

**II. You have been Pardoned from Every Trespass:**

*"the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace," (Vs. 7b)*

- A. Sin forever Settled:** *"He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins." (Col. 1:13-14)*
- B. Victory over Sin:** *"For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace." (Romans 6:14)*
- C. Free from Guilt/Shame:** *"I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." (Hebrews 10:17)*

**Discussion Question:** What sin from your past do you struggle to believe is truly forgiven?

*(Hebrews 10:17 – God says He remembers it no more... Why do we still remember?)*

**Discussion Question:** What does victory over sin look like in your life right now? Is it something you feel or only believe?

*(Romans 6:14 – explore what “no dominion” means practically.)*

**Discussion Question:** In what ways do guilt and shame still have a seat at your table? What would it look like to remove them?

### III. **You have been Provided Fresh Revelation:**

*“which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight.” (Vs. 8)*

**A. Guaranteed Wisdom:** *“all wisdom” - “If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him.”*  
(James 1:5)

**B. Abounding Insight:** *“insight” - “Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God.”* (1 Cor. 2:12)

**Discussion Question:** Where in your life right now do you feel stuck or confused, needing God’s wisdom?

*(James 1:5 – Have you asked Him? If not, why?)*

**Discussion Question:** How have you experienced the Spirit helping you “understand the things freely given to you by God”?

*(1 Cor. 2:12 – Do you recognize God’s voice when He gives insight?)*

**Discussion Question:** How would your week look different if you truly lived as someone who is already free, forgiven, and full of wisdom from God?

*(Tie it all together—what practical step could you take this week to walk in that reality?)*

**Takeaway:** Live like it is finished, it is done, the victory has been won!

### **Personal Challenge:**

Identify one lie you've believed about yourself that contradicts your redemption in Christ. Write a Scripture next to it that tells the truth.

### **Prayer Prompt:**

"Jesus, thank You for paying in full. Help me to live like I'm free, forgiven, and full of Your Spirit."