THE KINSMEN-REDEEMER

Lev 25:23 The Land is the LORD'S – it cannot be sold PERMANENTLY – – EVER

Lev 25:25 A Principle stated for the first time in the Bible is found here:

The Kinsmen, or a Close Relative, redeems, or buys back, your land for you.

Lit. – "**If** your Brother becomes poor, and sells from his possession, **then** his Redeemer comes, the one close to him, and Redeems the sale of his Brother."

Three Principles: Lev 25:25-28

- 1. The redeemer is a close relative
- 2. The redeemer pays the redemption price
- 3. On Jubilee Year, the land reverts to the original owner

An illustration of this is found in Jer 32:6-15.

Jer 32:6-27, 36-38, 42-44

Focus on 32:6-15 NOTE:

Jeremiah is the redeemer relative (first cousin) 8
Jeremiah makes a PUBLIC Transaction 10
Jeremiah makes TWO deeds of purchase, or ownership.
One is SEALED, One is OPEN 11
Jeremiah has both deeds put in a safe place 14

Jeremiah is the administrative provider **until** the day of Jubilee (Release) 7, 8

Why do we call Jesus Christ a Kinsmen Redeemer?

- 1. God the Father, the owner of the earth, gave the earth to man, but not as OWNER, but as a TENANT a Steward of all that God owned.
- 2. Man was to work on the earth and be ruler/administrator over the earth for God's purposes.
- 3. Man forfeited the right to rule when he submitted himself to Satan's authority and sinned against God.
- 4. Since man lost his possession, he needs a Redeemer able to pay the price Jesus Christ
 - 1. He is a close relative God becomes a man, brother to ALL men
 - 2. He paid the redemption price at the cross
 - 3. He received the deed of purchase, BUT did not take immediate possession (like Jeremiah)
 - 4. He will return to take possession and rule over Israel and the world, carrying out the purposes of God.
 - 5. Jesus, like Jeremiah, wrote and sealed deeds of purchase, both an open and a sealed copy.
 - 6. Only the Redeemer can break the seals of the sealed copy.

When does this take place?

Rev 5:1-9 The Lamb is worthy to take the scroll because He paid the price (v.9).

Rev 5:10-13 The Lamb takes control of the entire earth as tenant possessor.

Rev 6 The Lamb breaks open the SEALED scroll and reveals the events that are about to take place.

1.The OPEN Scroll is the book of Revelation that Jesus told John to write and to leave behind for the churches (Rev 1:11 "write what you see").

- 2. The OPEN scroll can be "tampered with", but not the scroll in heaven it is secure.
- 3. The book of Revelation tells us that the Lamb is the initiator of the judgment that is to come upon the earth. (Rev 6:1 ff)
- 4. Satan, as the present tenant and possessor, will challenge the rule of the Messiah and do all he can to prevent Jesus from taking back what Adam lost.
 - a. Satan did this in Canaan when Joshua (Hb "Jesus") went in to take possession there
 - b. Satan opposed Israel through other nations through all of it's history (NB. The Beast of Daniel and Revelation has Seven Heads Rev 13:1)
 - c. Satan will oppose Jesus (the Lion/Lamb) for seven years as Jesus prepares to return and to establish His Kingdom in this world (the New Tenant Possessor)
 - d. Satan will be held captive during the Reign of Messiah on earth (Rev 20:1-3)
 - e. Satan will make a final attempt to take back what HE lost (Rev 20:7-10) This is where Satan meets his final end and the full victory of the Cross is realized.

Christ IS the Kinsmen-Redeemer

- 1. Only He is worthy to break the seven seals of the scroll (deed of purchase) of His inheritance.
- 2. Breaking the seals unleashes 7 years of divine wrath against the domain of Satan and his forces (much like the wrath poured out on Pharaoh Satan's representative in Egypt).
- 3. He has the right to evict Satan and his forces. He will then take full tenant possession of the planet Earth. He will establish His throne in Jerusalem, and bring about the final Jubilee (Lev 25:8-13) which is the "restoration of all **things**" (Acts 3:19-21)

Reference: **MARANATHA, O Lord Come** Chap 5. "The Sealed Scroll of Rev. 5" pp. 74-99 by Renald Showers