

FINDING FREEDOM



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Finding Freedom

Stop Carrying All that Weight

Introduction — Saved, but Still Stuck

Many people have trusted Jesus for salvation, yet still feel unable to move forward.

They attend church, believe the gospel, and know the language of faith, but something holds them back.

They are saved, but stuck.

This tension reveals a deeper issue: freedom has not been fully embraced.

The gospel was never meant to stop at forgiveness.

It was meant to lead to freedom.

Freedom Is the Real Gospel

Jesus did not come to modify behavior or create religious routines. He came to rescue.

Scripture describes salvation as being transferred from darkness into light.

Without freedom, hope fades.

Without hope, joy cannot last.

Where freedom is missing, the gospel has not been fully understood.

When Guilt Becomes a Prison

One of the most common barriers to freedom is guilt.

God forgives completely, yet many believers continue to carry what He has removed.

They remember what God has chosen to forget.

Forgiven sin no longer defines a person.

Clinging to guilt after forgiveness keeps people from serving, growing, and living fully.

Freedom begins when the past no longer controls the present.

Jesus Is Enough — Or Nothing Works

The believers in Colossae were being tempted to believe that Jesus was not enough.

Rules, performance, and external systems were being added to the gospel.

Any addition to Christ weakens freedom.

Jesus plus anything is no longer the gospel.

Freedom stands firm only when Christ alone remains the foundation.

Created by God, for God

Everything was created by Him, through Him, and for Him.

This includes every life.

Life becomes heavy when it revolves around self.

Freedom begins when life aligns with God's purpose.

People find freedom not through self-fulfillment, but through surrender.

What You Live For Owns You

Whatever defines your life controls your life.

Living for approval leads to people-pleasing.

Living for success leads to pressure.

Living for pleasure leads to bondage.

Only living for God produces lasting freedom.

Strongholds and the Need for God's Power

Some bondage is rooted not in the past, but in ongoing struggle.

Repeated sin and addiction do not break through effort alone.

God provides strength through His Spirit to demolish strongholds.

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Freedom grows when trust replaces self-reliance.

Trusting Jesus Completely

Jesus holds all things together.

The past, the present, and the future are secure in Him.

Freedom expands as control is surrendered.

Trust transforms anxiety into peace.

Faith that saves must also trust.

Following Jesus Daily

Jesus is not only Savior, but Lord.

Freedom is sustained through daily surrender and obedience.

Following Jesus is not restrictive—it is liberating.

The more fully He leads, the more freely life is lived.

Conclusion — Stand Firm and Stay Free

Christ set His people free for a reason.

Freedom must be protected.

Truth must be held firmly.

Faith must be lived daily.

Returning to bondage is always possible when freedom is taken lightly.

Jesus is enough.

Stand firm.

And walk free.

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