

INDEPENDENCE DAY

John 8:30-36

**What you believe is not what you say;
What you believe is how you behave**

John 8:30 As he was saying these things, many believed in him. ³¹So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." ³³They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?" ³⁴Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

You were created to glorify God and to enjoy Him fully forever!
Living this truth is freedom...

The Path to Freedom:

Living free from the bondage of sin, to be who God created you to be

Jesus speaks of **HOW** to be free (John 8:31-32)

Step 1: **BELIEVE** the Truth; True **BELIEF** sticks.
(John 2, John 6, Matthew 13)

Step 2: **CONTINUE IN** the Truth

Step 3: **KNOW** the Truth

Step 4: **EXPERIENCE** the Truth

Jesus speaks of the **HOPE** of freedom

What do I do with this?

Do you know how to be free?

Are you truly born again?

As a follower of Jesus, are you struggling in some particular area of bondage in your life? (Accept that it is sin, call it for what it is; repent and turn away from that sin; ask the Spirit to help you overcome that sin; take steps to behave in freedom from that sin).

Brother's Keeper Thought

Answer this question and discuss with your small group or spiritual partner: What are the lies that are keeping you in bondage to sin?

Bible Reading Plan

- Sun.: Joshua 15
- Mon.: Joshua 16
- Tues.: Joshua 17
- Wed.: Joshua 18
- Thurs.: Joshua 19
- Fri.: Joshua 20
- Sat.: Joshua 21
- Sun.: Joshua 22

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