



GRACE THAT GIVES REAL FREEDOM Mike Prah July 5, 2020

"If the Son sets you free, you will be FREE INDEED." John 8:36 (NIV)

"Freedom is what we have—Christ has set us free! Stand, then, as free people, and do not allow yourselves to become slaves again" Galatians 5:1 (GN)

I. THE BELIEVER'S BILL OF RIGHTS

1. SPIRITUAL FREEDOM IS HAVING A CLEAR CONSCIENCE

"God has <u>purchased our FREEDOM</u> with His blood and has <u>forgiven ALL our sins</u>." Colossians 1:14 (NLT)

"By the death of Christ we are set FREE, that is, our sins are forgiven!" Ephesians 1:7 (GN)

"The Lord <u>redeems</u> His servants; <u>NO ONE will be condemned</u> who takes refuge in Him." Psalm 34:22 (NIV)

"God will KEEP you ... <u>FREE from ALL blame</u> on the great day when our Lord Jesus Christ returns." 1 Corinthians 1:8 (NLT)

"I will <u>forgive</u> their wickedness, and I will <u>never again remember their sins</u>." Hebrews 8:12 (NLT)

2. SPIRITUAL FREEDOM MEANS <u>PERSONAL ACCESS TO GOD</u>

"In Christ and through faith in Him we may <u>approach God with FREEDOM</u> and confidence." Ephesians 3:12 (NIV)

"Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with <u>fullest confidence</u>, that we may receive <u>mercy for our failures</u> and <u>grace to help</u> in the hour of need." Hebrews 4:16 (Ph.)

3. SPIRITUAL FREEDOM MEANS LIVING WITH MEANING AND PURPOSE

"... God paid a ransom to <u>save you from the empty life</u> you inherited from your ancestors." 1 Peter 1:18 (NLT)

"You have died with Christ, and He has <u>set you FREE from the evil powers of this world.</u> So why do you keep on following the rules of the world?" Colossians 2:20 (NLT)

4. SPIRITUAL FREEDOM IS HAVING NO FEAR OF DEATH OR THE DEVIL

"Jesus became flesh and blood by being born in human form. For only as a human being could He die, and only by dying could He <u>break the power of the devil</u>... Only in this way could He <u>set us FREE</u> from living our entire lives as <u>slaves to the fear of dying</u>." Hebrews 2:14-15 (NLT)

"God has <u>FREED us from the power of darkness</u>, and He brought us into the kingdom of His dear Son." Colossians 1:13 (NCV)

II. HOW TO LIVE FREE

I. ALWAYS SUBMIT TO GOD'S SPIRIT

"Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is FREEDOM." 2 Corinthians 3:17 (NIV)

"He [Jesus] gave His life to purchase FREEDOM for everyone." 1 Timothy 2:6 (NLT)

II. ALWAYS TRUST THE TRUTH

"If you continue in my Word, then you are really my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth shall set you FREE." John 8:31-32 (NIV)

"I will walk in FREEDOM, for I have devoted myself to your commandments" Psalm 119:45 (NLT)

III. ALWAYS USE MY FREEDOM TO SERVE OTHERS

"You were called to be FREE. But do not use your freedom to indulge your sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love." Galatians 5:13 (NIV)