

## ***Celebrating our Freedom***

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### Jesus died to free us

- ***Jesus gave His life to free us from every kind of sin, to cleanse us, and to make us His very own people.... Titus chapter 2 verse 14 (918)***
- ***When we died with Christ we were set free from the power of sin.***  
*Romans chapter 6 verse 7 (861)*

### Jesus died to free us...so live free!

- ***The sinful nature wants to do evil, which is just the opposite of what the Spirit wants. And the Spirit gives us desires that are the opposite of what the sinful nature desires. These two forces are constantly fighting each other, so you are not free to carry out your good intentions. Galatians chapter 5 verse 17 (893)***
- ***Christ has truly set us free. Now make sure you stay free....***  
*Galatians chapter 5 verse 1 (893)*

### Realize that Jesus is freedom!

- ***Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth and the life." John chapter 14 verse 6 (823)***
- ***Jesus said, "You will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."***  
*John chapter 8 verse 32 (817)*
- ***Jesus said, "If the Son sets you free, you are truly free!" John chapter 8 verse 36 (817)***
  - How much do I really know Jesus?
  - How much do I really follow Jesus??
  - Do I realize that the more I follow Jesus, the more free I am?

### Following Jesus = Freedom

- ***I will walk in freedom, for I have devoted myself to your commands.***  
*Psalms 119 verse 45 (469)*
  - How consistent am I in reading / studying the Bible
  - How consistent am I in coming to church?
  - How intentional am I about growing spiritually?

### I live in freedom when I DO what Jesus wants me to do

- ***If you look carefully into the perfect law that sets you free, and if you do what it says and don't forget what you heard, then God will bless you for doing it.***  
*James chapter 1 verse 25 (930)*
  - I am free when I obey the Bible
  - Blessing comes from OBEYING the Bible NOT just knowing the Bible!

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