



COMING SOON!

LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING

Wednesday July 9th, 5:30 p.m.

LADIES WOMEN IN THE WORD

Bible Study July 19, 10, a.m. Chapter 7

HAWAIIAN DINNER

July 20th, Following morning worship

MEN'S SEEKERS OF TRUTH

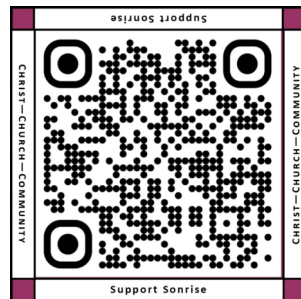
Bible Study

July 26, 9 a.m. chapter 6

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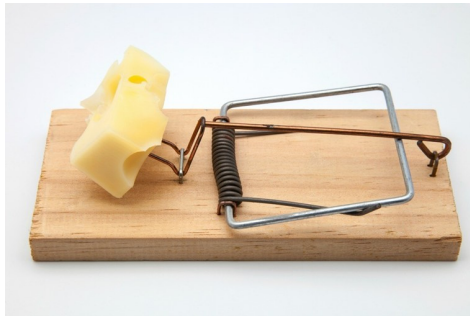
Freedom Explained

- ♦ So Jesus was saying to those Jews who had believed Him, "If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you _____."
- ♦ They answered Him, "We are Abraham's descendants and have never yet been enslaved to anyone; how is it that You say, 'You will become _____ ?'"
John 8.31-32

**Let
freedom
-ring-**

Freedom Explained (continued)

- ♦ Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is the slave of sin. “The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son does remain forever. “So if the Son makes you _____, you will be _____ indeed.
- ♦ “I know that you are Abraham's descendants; yet you seek to kill Me, because My word has no place in you. “I speak the things which I have seen with My Father; therefore you also do the things which you heard from your father.” John 8.34-38



Conflicting TRUTHS

- ♦ The _____ wants you to believe you are free to know and decide what truth is for yourself. “For God knows that in the day you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” Genesis 3.5
- ♦ This deception of individual freedom is designed to draw your focus to the _____, rather than the _____ itself. Those without Christ are in the “snare of the devil, having been held captive by him to do his will.” 2 Timothy 2.23



This week, we are looking at Christian Freedom

As you answer the questions below, consider your responsibility as a believer and follower of Christ.

MONDAY—Read Romans 13.1-7. What are your responsibilities to the government as a believer? What limits that responsibility? (HINT: read the second half of verse 3.)

TUESDAY—Read 1 Peter 2.16 & Romans 6.18. What does being free mean for the believer in daily living?

WEDNESDAY—Read Galatians 5.13. How does freedom shape the life of a believer? Why must there be limits on freedom?

THURSDAY—Read Galatians 5.1. What danger lies in abusing the freedom given to us by God? What limits has God set on our freedom?

FRIDAY—Read Isaiah 58.6. How does Isaiah help us understand our responsibilities as freed followers of Christ?

BONUS - Read Romans 6.15. 23 What are the choices presented here? Why is a believer free and at the same time limited in the actions they may participate in?

Practical Freedom

- ♦ Live as people who are _____, not using your _____ as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God. 1 Peter 2.16 ESV
- ♦ Christian _____ is about choices. Jesus needs to be both your _____ and your _____.
- ♦ You are FREE from the bonds of sin and the chains of the devil and his bondage of self-centered vices.
- ♦ You are FREE to choose to _____ and _____ to Christ as his servant.



**Christian Freedom is about living with
a greater _____ than yourself.**



- ♦ _____ wants to release us from the bondage of sin and its consequences. “It was for _____ that Christ set us free; therefore keep standing firm and do not be subject again to a yoke of slavery.” Galatians 5.1
- ♦ You are free to _____ who you serve and follow. “Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and YOU WILL FIND REST FOR YOUR SOULS.” Matthew 11.29

Perceived Freedom

- ♦ [The Jews] answered Him, “We are Abraham's descendants and have never yet been enslaved to anyone; how is it that You say, ‘You will become free?’”
- ♦ They exhibited _____ pride.
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- ♦ Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who _____ is the _____ of _____.
- ♦ Sin is any act or attitude that _____ us from God. The word sin means “to miss the mark.” *
- ♦ Sin is that human action that places us in _____ with God as we seek pleasure, possessions, or power.



Purchased Freedom

- ♦ “So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed. Jn 8.38
- ♦ ...knowing this, that our old self was _____ with Him, in order that our body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin; for he who has died is freed from sin. Romans 6.6-7
- ♦ The new self is defined by the relationship with Christ Jesus and the change of direction of the individual’s life choices, both internal and external.

Positional Freedom

- ♦ It was for freedom that Christ set us free; therefore keep _____ and do not be subject again to a yoke of slavery. Galatians 5.1
- ♦ Be on the alert, _____ in the faith, act like men, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love. 1 Corinthians 16.13-14



- ♦ Put on the full ARMOR OF GOD, so that you will be able to _____ against the schemes of the devil. Ephesians 6.11
- ♦ _____ : Truth, Righteousness, Gospel of Peace, Faith, Salvation, _____ : The Word of God.
- ♦ Make sure you have the five S’s in your life.
 - ◇ ___cripture =
 - ◇ ___upplication =
 - ◇ ___anctuary =
 - ◇ ___tewardship =
 - ◇ ___haring =