



## *Will You Receive Your Freedom?*



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I was immersed in U.S. History this past school year, teaching my son 2nd grade. As we studied our American heroes and pioneers, it was both exciting and humbling. It also gave me a fresh appreciation for the **freedom** we've been given in our country-- **freedom** that came at a very high price.

Countless  
committed,  
determined,  
loyal patriots  
laid down their lives  
so we can live in **freedom**.

***Freedom from what?***

The **tyrannical dictatorship** of a king or other country over us.

***You probably know where I'm going with this...***

I can't help but be stirred within, as all this reminds me of the  
**freedom** we have because of Jesus:

Jesus  
selflessly,  
lovingly,  
laid down His life,  
resurrected from the dead,  
ascended into heaven,  
and sent us His Holy Spirit  
so we can live in **freedom**.

***Freedom from what?***

The **tyrannical dictatorship** of sin and death over us.

***"For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has  
made me **free** from the law of sin and death."***

***Romans 8:2***

Because of the blood of Jesus, we are no longer slaves to unrighteousness-- we are **free**.

***Free to do what?***

**Free to forgive...**

**Free to choose patience...**

***Free to be at peace with God, others, and ourselves...***

**Free to see the truth and walk in it...**

***Free to choose to love...***

**Free** to say **NO** to sin,  
and **YES** to the goodness of God!

### **CHALLENGE:**

If you are a citizen of the United States, my guess is that you, like I, awake every morning **inherently aware of, receiving, and walking in our American freedom**. Yes, it's true that America's freedoms are under attack, but our country still remains the most free of all others.

Likewise, if you have put your trust in Jesus as your personal Lord and Savior, then you are a citizen of heaven-- a child of God. As citizens of heaven, we are to awake every morning **inherently aware of, receiving, and walking in freedom** from sin.

*"But I still sin!" I cry.*

Then the Lord responds,  
*'My child, your freedom is the work of My Spirit in you...  
not a work of your flesh.'*

**"It is God who works in you  
both to will and to do His good pleasure."  
Philippians 2:13**

*Our **freedom** from the tyranny of sin is God's good pleasure!*

So, wave the white flag in surrender to the King of your heart.  
Tell Him your needs, be patient with Him (and yourself), and  
remember His Word: He will complete the good work He has  
begun in you. (Philippians 1:6)

**I believe the Lord's question to us today is  
simple: Will you receive your **freedom**?**



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