



Sermon Notes

The Way of Agape Part 28 – Created for Freedom
July 4, 2021

2 Corinthians 3:17

¹⁷ Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

If we aren't walking in freedom and liberty, we aren't walking in the Spirit.

We were created for freedom.

Freedom is God's idea.

Galatians 5:1

¹ It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.

Freedom is why Jesus Christ was sent.

Luke 4:18

*¹⁸ "The Spirit of the Lord is on me,
because he has anointed me
to preach good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners
and recovery of sight for the blind,
to release the oppressed*

"Freedom is the assurance that your needs for security, significance, love, acceptance, and worth are always met in Christ."

Neil Anderson

Freedom to trust again.

We lie to God in prayer if we don't rely on Him after prayer.

2 Corinthians 5:7

⁷ We live by faith, not by sight.

2 Corinthians 5:7 (NLT)

⁷ For we live by believing and not by seeing.



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Freedom to obey.

Romans 8:12

¹² Therefore, brothers, we have an obligation—but it is not to the sinful nature, to live according to it.

I am not obligated to my sinful nature!

Romans 6:18

¹⁸ You have been set free from sin and have become slaves to righteousness.

Freedom to feel.

Freedom to forgive.

Mark 11:25

²⁵ And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive him, so that your Father in heaven may forgive you your sins."

Freedom means giving up expectations for a better past.

Freedom means releasing the right to get even.

Freedom to fail.

"I have not failed. I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work."

"Many of life's failures are people who did not realize how close they were to success when they gave up."

Thomas A. Edison

Freedom from our emotions.

John 8:32

³² Then you will know the truth, and the truth shall set you free.

Freedom to be vulnerable.



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Freedom to both give and receive love.

Freedom to relax.

Freedom to enjoy life.

John 10:10

¹⁰ The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

Freedom to dream.

RECOGNIZE

*I will recognize the enemy's tactics. He is bent on my destruction. He knows God is rebuilding me and can't stand it. He will always try to trip me up. He knows exactly where my weak spots are and how to manipulate them. **I will learn to recognize this.***

RESPOND

I will not argue. I will not agree. I will not even contemplate. I will respond with the Word, just like Jesus did. ("it is written....")

Psalm 138:3

³ When I called, you answered me; you made me bold and stouthearted.

RESIST

I will resist the temptation to consider the enemy's accusations. I am not obligated to these feelings. They are only feelings - nothing more. They cannot be trusted. Instead, I will recount my blessings and rejoice in what God is doing and will do; in who I am and who I will be.

John 8:36

³⁶ If the Son, then, sets you free, you are really free!

I will say aloud: "I am really free"!

