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Because God loves you, He Provides- Part 51

Did you know that God loves you more than anyone else could ever love you?

God proves His love to you by providing **His freedom** to you. **Rom. 6:17-18**, ***“But thanks be to God that, though you used to be slaves to sin, you have come to obey from your heart the pattern of teaching that has now claimed your allegiance. You have been set free from sin and have become slaves to righteousness.”***

The Greek word for free is *eleutheronthentes* which means having been set free from bondage. We live in the United States, The Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave. But have you ever noticed that our so called freedom has led to many bondages? We are free to do what we want. What we want is not always good, but what we need is so important. What we need is fellowship with the God of the Universe. Paul said that before Christ, we were in bondage to sin. But through faith in Christ and through obedience of the heart, we have been set free! When we reckon ourselves to be “dead” unto sin (crucified with Christ), and yield ourselves to God as instruments of righteousness, we are no longer under the dominion of our flesh. We have been set free!

Jesus said it this way in **John 8:31-36**, ***“To the Jews who had believed Him, Jesus said, “If you hold to My teaching, you are really My disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” They answered Him, “We are Abraham’s descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say that we shall be set free?” Jesus replied, “Very truly I tell you, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.”***

We can know freedom instead of bondage. The words of the old hymn ring true:
When we walk with the Lord in the light of His Word,
What a glory He sheds on our way!
While we do His good will, He abides with us still,
And with all who will trust and obey.

Dear Father, thank You for freeing us from the bondage of our sin. Help us to walk in the freedom of the Holy Spirit. Your Word tells us that we are now more than conquerors through Him Who loves us. In Jesus Name, Amen