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Because God loves you, He Provides- Part 118

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

God proves His love to you by **His** freeing love. Gal. 5:1 "It is for <u>freedom</u> that Christ has set us <u>free</u>. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery."

The Greek word for <u>freedom</u> is **eleutherosen** which means release from bondage, to remove the restrictions of sin, to liberate. It also carries the connotation of once being in captivity, but being rescued by the One Who loves you and bestows upon you His freedom. We see this in **1 Pt. 2:9** "But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him Who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light."

He rescued us out of our bondage to sin and brought us to a place of freedom in Him. It is in His presence we can begin to be transformed into the new creation in Christ and conformed into His likeness; having the mind of Christ. **John 8:36** echoes this: "*So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.*"

Now just imagine being imprisoned and finding out that someone had come to *bail you out* by paying the price. That's exactly what He did for you by paying the ransom for your sin. You were in bondage, but now you are set free! And because of that, we are now to live for the One Who bought our freedom. Let us boldly go out in His name and proclaim the freedom that is available to all who would believe!

Dear Father, You have set us free! We are no longer bound in our sin and iniquity, but we have been transformed. We have been set free! No more chains! No more prison, but instead, walking in Your glorious light! Thank You, In Jesus Name, Amen