

The Truth Will Set You Free

Free To Love, Part 2

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I don't really understand myself, for I want to do what is right, but I don't do it. Instead, I do what I hate... I want to do what is right, but I can't. I want to do what is good, but I don't. I don't want to do what is wrong, but I do it anyway... I have discovered this principle of life—that when I want to do what is right, I inevitably do what is wrong. I love God's law with all my heart. But there is another power within me that is at war with my mind. This power makes me a slave to the sin that is still within me. Oh, what a miserable person I am! Who will free me from this life that is dominated by sin and death? Thank God! The answer is in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Romans 7:15-25 NLT

Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

John 8:32

"I AM... the Truth!"

John 14:6

Behind every self-defeating behavior
is a lie that I'm believing

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.

Romans 12:2

TO BE SET FREE BY THE TRUTH:

1. Allow the Spirit To _____ My
Mind.

Those who are dominated by the sinful nature think about sinful things, but those who are controlled by the Holy Spirit think about things that please the Spirit. So letting your sinful nature control your mind leads to death. But letting the Spirit control your mind leads to life and peace. Romans 8:5-7 NLT

2. Allow the Spirit To _____ My Eyes.

I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened...

Ephesians 1:18

Your ability to walk in God's freedom
depends on your ability to see with God's eyes.

But those who wait for the Lord [who expect, look for, and hope in Him] shall change and renew their strength and power; they shall lift their wings and mount up [close to God] as eagles [mount up to the sun]; they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint or become tired.

Isaiah 40:31 Amp

When the servant of the man of God got up and went out early the next morning, an army with horses and chariots had surrounded the city. "Oh no, my lord! What shall we do?" the servant asked.

"Don't be afraid," the prophet answered. "Those who are with us are more than those who are with them."

And Elisha prayed, "Open his eyes, Lord, so that he may see."

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2 Kings 6:15-17

I lift up my eyes to the hills - where does my help come from. My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.

Psalms 121:1-2

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