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From Bondage to Freedom

Occasionally, God does such a miraculous work in a person's life that we can only say, "Wow, what an awesome God we have."

Let me tell you of one specific individual that received his freedom in Christ. For confidentiality reasons we will call this man John. He was and still is working in God's ministry full time. For many years John was burdened by many issues that eventually led him into being a person who drank too much. He tried to cover up his drinking problem but it affected his home life, his work and relationships. His family knew that he was on the road to destruction, but he could not see it himself.

God in his great mercy often connects the right person to some one in need. Such was the case here. By God's grace John found himself in our office, and after 6 hours of exposing his soul to God, John was set free. He is home now, able to take up his work in joy and freedom, impacting many lives all over the world.

We are the hands and feet of Jesus bringing the Word of Life to many people who walk through our doors. It is the work of the Holy Spirit who changes hearts, minds and lives, not only here but also in other parts of the world, such as India and Uganda.

Again, as last year, we will send a team of people to Uganda. They will leave September 11, teaching people in Kampala and Kibale the words of Jesus that will set them free from many bondages. We also hope to train a small group of people to do the ministry we do with the long range goal of them teaching other people. One of the things that we hope to accomplish while there is to set in motion the plans to form Set Free Ministries/East Africa with its own governing board. In addition we hope to distribute Bibles. The team hopes to return September 23.



As we continue to reach out to hurting people here and around the world, please remember us in your prayers. We especially ask for your prayers for the team going to Uganda. Please pray for their safety and God's blessing upon their labors. If the Lord puts it on your heart, please support the team with funds to cover the cost of ministry and to purchase and distribute Bibles.

Paul Taming

If the Son Sets You Free, You Shall Be Free Indeed

When I first became involved with Set Free Ministries I looked at the verse, “So if the Son sets you free, you are free indeed” (John 8:36). My thoughts and beliefs about Set Free Ministries and this particular verse were as simple as this: “Jesus sets me free from my pain and suffering.” I found this to be true and have experienced this freedom, but this belief was just milk for my soul. When trials would come, I would be swept away. I found out that I need more than just milk. I needed solid food. I needed to be free indeed. Through others and the power of the Holy Spirit, our gracious heavenly Father began to teach me what it is to be free indeed.

As I sit in Freedom Appointments, many will come in looking for the same milk that I was looking for; relief from their pain, and searching for freedom. I want to encourage them in the words of the

*Then you will know
the truth*



*and the truth
will set you free*

John 8:32

above passage, but we have to begin with John 8:31-32 where Jesus says, “If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” Jesus gives us solid food here. Hold on to my teaching, then you will know the truth and the truth will set you free.

Jesus talks to his disciples in a parable about a sower who planted seed and how some of the seed fell on rocky soil and died. He tells his disciples what this parable means. The seed is the Word of God. The one who received the seed that fell on rocky places is the man who hears the Word and at once receives it with joy. But since he has no root, he lasts only a short time. When trouble or persecution comes because of the Word, he quickly falls away.

When we ask the Lord to begin to teach us His ways, and we submit to His teaching through His word, and by His Holy Spirit His word goes deep within our heart, we can begin to have true freedom, lasting freedom, freedom in the midst of trial and suffering. The apostle Paul knew this well. He held to this truth.

“For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord” (Rom. 8:38-39, NIV). I love how Paul says the Love of God that is **IN** Christ Jesus. It brings us right back to the beginning, “And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth” (John 1:14, NKJ). God’s love, God’s teaching, and God’s ways are all in Christ Jesus.

So, my friend, when trials, suffering, depression, broken marriages, and abuse are part of our lives, hold on to His teaching and seek to know the Lord Jesus. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free. **“And If the Son Sets You Free, You Are Free Indeed.”**

Tammy Kuipers