

GOD'S E.R.

FREED FROM ALL THINGS

Acts 13:39 and through Him everyone who believes is freed from all things

Class 1 – Protecting Your Freedoms - Lesson Five

REMAINING FREE

Jesus freed many people from the oppression of the devil. Jesus always gave instruction after He delivered and healed. That instruction was for the person to be fed! We need to feed on that which will keep us in the delivered and healed condition!

He gives us all power and all the tools to stay free! Here are the Keys to staying free:

1. Read the Word out loud each day.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof*, for correction, for training* in righteousness ; **17** so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.

Reproof - Gr. : rebuke (reprimand)

Training - Gr.: discipline; relates to the cultivation of mind and morals; includes the training and care of the body, cultivates the soul, esp. by correcting mistakes and curbing passions; instruction which aims at increasing virtue.

Romans 10:17 So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

We can only stand on the Word of God and use the Word of God as our weapon against the enemy, if we read it, learn it, and put the Word of God into practice in our lives!

2. Pray (talk to God) everyday.

Ephesians 6:18 With all prayer and petition pray at all times in the Spirit, and with this in view, be on the alert with all perseverance and petition for all the saints.

Talking to the Lord and listening to what He is saying to you is the life-blood of a Christian's walk. Being alone, and the very first part of the day, is usually the most productive. We have been given an outline by the Lord Jesus that exhibits how to pray:

Mathew 6:9 "Pray, then, in this way : 'Our Father who is in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. 10 'Your kingdom come. Your will be done, On earth as it is in heaven. 11 'Give us this day our daily bread. 12 'And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. 13 'And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil. ^s[For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.] 14 "For if you forgive others

for their transgressions, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. 15 "But if you do not forgive others, then your Father will not forgive your transgressions.

3. **Have Christian fellowship.**

Matthew 18:20 "For where two or three have gathered together in My name, I am there in their midst."

Acts 3:19 "Therefore repent and return, so that your sins may be wiped away, in order that times of refreshing may come from the presence* of the Lord.

Presence - Gr.: the face; countenance, look;

What an amazing thing! When we fellowship together, we actually have the Lord present with us! Not only that, it is implied here, and we know from experience, that we can *see* the Lord in the countenance of His people!

4. **Keep the doors closed (don't go back to doing what you used to do)**

Galatians 5:16-25 But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. 17 For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please. 18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the Law. 19 Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: immorality, impurity, sensuality, 20 idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, disputes, dissensions, factions, 21 envying, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, of which I forewarn you, just as I have forewarned you, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. 22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control ; against such things there is no law. 24 Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. 25 If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

We must realize that our "old self" will try to "resurrect" itself, even though we have crucified it when we became born again. The only two people in the world I ever tell to "shut up" (rather rude to say) is the devil and my old nature. Both are set against the new person I have become and against the Spirit of God. They both must be silenced. When we tell the "old self" to be quiet and quit saying wrong things to our new man, and we silence the enemy and his enticements and accusations, then we are able to quiet ourselves before the Lord and hear His voice!

5. **Resist the Devil by speaking the Word**

James 4:7 Submit* therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.

Submit - Gr. : to arrange under, to subordinate; to subject, put in subjection; to subject one's self, obey; to submit to one's control; to yield to one's admonition or advice; to obey, be subject.

If we have a correct posture of submission to the Lord, then we can resist the devil and he has to flee. It is all contingent upon our submission to the Lordship of Christ in our lives. We submit to the Lordship of Christ by conforming ourselves to that which is pleasing to Him.

John 14:15 "If you love Me, you will keep My commandments.

6. **Strengthen your Spirit Man – declare the Word**

Mark 11:22-25 And Jesus answered saying to them, "Have faith in God. 23 "Truly I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be taken up and cast into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says is going to happen, it will be granted him. 24 "Therefore I say to you, all things for which you pray and ask, believe that you have received them, and they will be granted you. 25 "Whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone, so that your Father who is in heaven will also forgive you your transgressions.

Pray, have faith in God, believe, and walk in forgiveness. The gifts of God extended to yourself and others makes a powerful life! Just decide to believe and speak the Word and watch the Lord work miracles through your life!

Jeremiah 1:12 Then the LORD said to me, "You have seen well, for I am watching over My word to perform it."

The Lord is just waiting for us to speak His Word so that He can do His work!

7. **Continue Making Godly choices.**

Deuteronomy 30:19 "I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, the blessing and the curse. So choose life in order that you may live, you and your descendants,

The Lord gives us all the instructions to have a blessed life! Choose rightly! Choose Godliness! Choose to love the Lord with all your heart, soul, mind and strength! **Matthew 22:37**

Next week we will study "*Right Relatedness*" - How to be your part of the Body of Christ and function optimally!