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Liberty In CHRIST

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Since all my sins are forgiven, am I free to do what I please?

The New Testament is very clear that as saved people we are no longer bound by any law to please God, but we are under His grace. Many people, however, take this freedom as an opportunity to sin, thinking they are free to do as they wish.

The purpose of this lesson is to help the individual understand just what his liberties are, and what his parameters are in his life as a child of God.

- 1. Am I free to whatever I want?
 - A. Personally within your own life you are free to make your own choices. John 8:36; I Corinthians 6:12; Titus 1: 15
 - B. You are eternally secure in Jesus Christ, if you have genuinely placed your trust in HIM as your Savior you cannot go to hell. You will go to heaven regardless of what you do. Galatians 2:16: Ephesians 2:8-9
 - C. You are not bound by the Old Testament law. Romans 8:2; Galatians 3: 24-25

II. HOWEVER -

A. The liberty you have in Jesus Christ gives you freedom to do what is right without the constraints of the Old Testament law as opposed to giving you license to sin or do what you want. Galatians 5:13

- B. Your liberty is not to be used to feed your sinful flesh. Romans 6:12-18
- C. Your liberty is provided so you can serve GOD. I Peter 2:16

"Liberty consists not in the ability to disobey GOD with impunity, but in the ability to obey Him spontaneously, without effective hindrance." Merrill C Tenney

III. How does my freedom affect me personally?

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A. You are free to make your own choices, but if you choose to sin, you should be aware of the consequences.

- 1. You will not bear spiritual fruit. John 15:1-8
- 2. GOD will chasten you as His son. Hebrews 12: 5-11
- 3. GOD will allow you to reap as you have sown. Galatians 6: 7-8
- 4. Your fellowship with GOD and confidence in prayer will be interrupted. Psalm 66: 18; Isaiah 59:1,2
- B. God will get the glory from your life one way or another, either as a vessel of honor, or a vessel of dishonor. The choice is yours.

 Il Timothy 2: 20-21
- IV. How does my freedom affect those that are around me?
- A. Your life will be a testimony for good or for bad whether you want it to or not. Romans 14: 7
- B. You are to avoid things, which could cause a weaker Christian to stumble in his faith. Romans 14:13-15, 1 Corinthians 8: 9-13
- C. You are to avoid things, which appear wrong even though they may not be wrong. Romans 14:16; I Thessalonians 5: 22
- D. You are to have a good testimony toward both saved and lost people. Romans 14:16
 - 1. To the saved- Acts 6:1-3,16: I-2
 - 2. To the lost. Colossians 4:5; I Timothy 3:7
 - 3. The purpose of this is to influence them for good in the Lord Jesus Christ. Acts 11: 22-24; 1 Corinthians 9:19-23
- V. What are the bounds of my liberty?

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There are many "gray areas" in dealing with certain things you may or may not want to be involved in. In these cases, ask yourself some questions.

- A. Am I being brought under the power of something that should not be controlling my life? I Corinthians 6:12
- B. Does this edify others or myself? I Corinthians 10: 23
- C. Can I ask GOD to bless it with a clear conscience? Colossians 3: 17; Acts 24:16; I Corinthians 10: 31
- D. If the LORD returned at this moment, would I be ashamed to be caught in this? I Corinthians 1: 8; I Thessalonians 5: 23.
- E. Would it cause a brother to stumble if they saw me? Romans 14: 13-15; Romans 15: 1-2.
- F. Would it be cause for a lost person to reject the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior? I Corinthians 10: 31-33
- G. Does my conscience condemn me for it? I Peter 3:16; Hebrews 13:18; I Timothy 1: 5

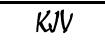
VI. Basic questions

A. How do I achieve a balance between my liberties and other people's needs?

ONLY through the power of the Holy Spirit as you walk with HIM. II Corinthians 3: 5-6,17; Romans 7:6

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Lesson 13

Name _____

1. As a Christian, are you free to do whatever you please? Briefly explain.
2. The word of God draws some boundaries on our freedom. Explain those boundaries from each of the following verses.
A. Galatians 5:13
B. Romans 6: 18
C. I Peter 2: 16
3. When you choose to sin, what are the consequences of your choice?
A.
B.
C.
D.
4. GOD will get the glory from your life, either as a or as a
5. List four ways that your freedom can influence people around you.
A.
B.

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C.

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D.
6. You are to have a good testimony toward both saved and lost people. What is the reason for this?
7. List seven questions you can consider in setting the bounds of your personal liberty.
A.
B.
C.
D.
E.
F.
G.

- 8. What is the role of the Holy Spirit regarding your personal liberty?
- 9. Briefly explain the primary purpose of this lesson.

Key memory verses (write them out on the back page) Galatians 5:13; Romans 15:1; I Corinthians 10:31

True/false questions:

1. There is a "set of rules" a Christian must live by in order to please God.



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- 2. You are free to do whatever you want regardless of how it affects other people.
- 3. What you do has no real influence on other people.

Write any Questions you may have concerning the subjects in this lesson or any other lesson.

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