

The Truth Shall
Make You Free

Freedom is the result of
knowing the truth.

How is it that we know the
truth?

John 8:31

“Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye **continue in my word**, *then* are ye my disciples indeed.”

To what were the Jews enslaved?

John 8:34

“Jesus answered them, Verily, verily, I say unto you,
Whosoever committeth sin **is the servant of sin.**”

1 John 3:4

“Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for
sin is the transgression of the law.”

—Transgression of the law = ἀνομία– *lawlessness*

In what way were the Jews
transgressing the Law?

Matthew 15:3-9

“Why do ye also **transgress the commandment of God by your tradition?** . . . Thus have ye made the commandment of God **of none effect by your tradition.** Ye hypocrites, well did Esaias prophesy of you, saying, This people draweth nigh unto me **with their mouth,** and **honoureth me with their lips;** but **their heart is far from me.** But in **vain they do worship me,** teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.”

How does Christ make us free?

Mark 5:15

“And they come to Jesus, and see him that was possessed with the devil, and had the legion, sitting, and clothed, and **in his right mind**: and they were afraid.” – See also Luke 8:35.

How do men become possessed?

Romans 1:28

“And even as they **did not like to retain God in *their* knowledge**, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not.”

Romans 7:23

“But I see another law **in my members**, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me **into captivity** to the law of sin which is **in my members**.”

Romans 8:5-7

“For they that are after the flesh do **mind the things of the flesh**; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit. For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is **not subject to the law of God**, neither indeed can be.”

Romans 12:2

“And be not **conformed** to this world: but be ye **transformed** by the **renewing of your mind**, that ye may **prove** what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.”

Prove

δοκιμάζω (*dokimazo*) = to test or examine (to document)

“More generally, in present usage, written instruction, evidence or proof; any official or authoritative paper containing instructions or proof, for information and the establishment of facts.”

Noah Webster, “Document”

True Freedom is only in Christ
Jesus.

Ephesians 4:17-24

“This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, **in the vanity of their mind**, Having the **understanding darkened**, being alienated from the life of God through the **ignorance** that is in them, because of the **blindness of their heart**: Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness. But ye have not so learned Christ; If so be that ye have heard him, and have been **taught by him**, as **the truth is in Jesus**: That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; And be renewed **in the spirit of your mind**; And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.”

Philippians 2:5

“Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus.”

Romans 7:24-25

“O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death? I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.”

Conclusion

John 8:36

“If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.”

Thank you
May the Lord bless you
Lots & Lots