



LIBERTY

DOES "CHRISTIAN LIBERTY" EXIST?



HE HATH SENT ME... "TO SET AT LIBERTY THEM THAT ARE BRUISED"

In our last study, we focused on the concept of ABIDING in Christ. This led to the question, can we exercise Christian liberty and still abide in Christ?

- Under what circumstances did Jesus return to Galilee? (Luke 4:14)
- Where did Jesus go to teach? (4:15)
 - How was He received?
- From what part of scripture was Jesus asked to read? (4:17)
- What did Christ read about Himself? (4:18-19)

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel..."

 - to the _____
 - He hath sent me to heal the _____
 - to preach _____ to the _____

- _____
- and recovering of _____ to the _____
 - to set at _____ them that are _____
 - to preach the _____
- Compare to Isaiah 49:8-12; 61:1-3. When is/was that "acceptable time"? (Luke 4:21; II Cor. 6:2)



"And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Esaias."

5. After the people "wondered at the gracious words," what did they ask of Jesus? (Luke 4:23)

6. What was Jesus' response? (4:24) "No _____ is accepted in his own _____."

- What example(s) were given?

7. How did the people in the synagogue react after they received these words? (4:28)

F.Y.I. CORNER

- LIBERTY** - (Gr. 1657) Noun - freedom; unrestrained. (Gr. 1658) Adj. - freedom from restraint and obligation. (Vines) - "not to bring us into another form of bondage did Christ liberate us from that in which we were born, but in order to make us free from bondage."
- LAW of LIBERTY** - Jas. 1:25; 2:12; not a "law" of compulsion enforced from without, but a meeting with ready obedience through the desire and delight of the renewed... under of the "law of Christ." (VD)

"NOT USING YOUR LIBERTY AS A CLOKE OF MALICIOUSNESS"

Our country is known for its Statue of Liberty. How does liberty come with restrictions?



- Today's study began with the focus that Christ was sent to... "set at liberty them that are bruised." What is this liberty?
 - Who are the "bruised"?
- How does/can a person put himself back under the "yoke of bondage"? Galatians 5:1-4
- How did Christ take away this bondage? Hebrews 10:8-14

IV. Why are we given liberty? II Corinthians 3:14-17

V. What are we expected to do with this "freedom"?

- Romans 6:14-18
- Heb. 10:16-25
- I Corinthians 8:8-13
- I Peter 2:13-17

Conclude with DISCUSSION:

- Does "Christian Liberty" exist?
- How can we confuse "freedom from the law" with "freedom to sin"?

VERSE of the WEEK

"...when (the heart) shall turn to the Lord, the vail shall be taken away. Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty." -II Cor. 3:16-17

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OUT OF MY BONDAGE, SORROW AND NIGHT, JESUS I COME, JESUS, I COME; INTO THY FREEDOM, GLADNESS AND LIGHT, JESUS, I COME TO THEE. OUT OF MY SICKNESS INTO THY HEALTH, OUT OF MY WANT AND INTO THY WEALTH, OUT OF MY SIN AND INTO THYSELF, JESUS I COME TO THEE.