



Big Idea: In Christ, we are set free to serve.

1.) We were _____ to sin.

- By the sinful nature, we are bound to sin and intrinsically unable to do what we should with pure motives (John 8:34, 15:5; Heb. 11:6).
- Even more than just slaves to sin, the Bible tells us that, apart from Christ, we were actually dead in our sins (Ephesians 2:1-3).

2.) In Christ we are _____.

- Before Christ, we had no choice but to sin; in Him, we have been released from the chains of wickedness and woe (Ephesians 2:4-5, Galatians 4:6-9, Romans 8:1-2).

3.) Freedom is often _____.

- True freedom is not the prerogative to do whatever we _____, but the power to do but we _____.
- Because we are created in God's image and commanded to do everything for His glory, there is no such thing as freedom from morality.
- Biblical freedom is grace that God gives us in Christ to overcome our natural bondage to moral depravity (Romans 6:13-18).

4.) We are set free to _____.

- Any right response the mercy of Christ necessarily rejects the idea of using our blood-bought freedom to engage in continual, willful sin.
- The right response to Christian freedom is Christian _____.
- Peter warns that believers who are not using the God's gifts to do God's Work are abusing the blood of Christ (1 Peter 4:10).
- Cherish your freedom in Christ enough to step up and serve.