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## What is FREEDOM?

Here's what Google says:

the power or right to act, speak, or think as one wants without hindrance or restraint...

absence of subjection to foreign domination or despotic government...

the state of not being imprisoned or enslaved...

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## What is FREEDOM?

Here's what Merv observes in today's global culture:

The right to do what you want, when you want, and how you want (but hopefully not stepping on someone else's freedom as you do so)

To do as I please, as I desire

To act without external restraint

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## What is FREEDOM?

Here's what Merv understands from God's heart and the Bible:

Freedom is NOT doing as you please (with your desires as the primary motivation).

Freedom IS the power and ability to what is right.

Freedom IS the power and ability to desire and do

God's will (with God's desires as primary motivation).

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Here's what Merv understands from God's heart and the Bible:

Freedom is choosing to wholeheartedly commit yourself to serving the only one who can then turn around and completely set you free to be and do all you were intended to be and do!

Romans 6:16-18; John 15:9-17; Philippians 2:13

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4. We ARE set free because Christ is good...& did good.
5. We were called to be free. It's in the DNA of our call.
6. Freedom IS NOT to indulge our sinful nature.
7. Freedom IS to serve one another in love.
8. Freedom is living by the Spirit...yielding good fruit.

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## What is this Fruit of the Spirit?

Galatians 5:22-23

- Love, Joy, Peace
- Patience, Kindness, Goodness
- Faithfulness, Gentleness, Self-Control



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