

A Delivered People Pt. 1

“World Wide Global Enterprise - Intergalactic [a place situated between two galaxies]”

Romans 6:18

“And having been set free from sin, you became slaves of righteousness”

- * Before you were a Christian you were a slave, in to sin
- * Even when you did not want to sin, you were unable to do other wise

Romans 6: 16-18 [Amplified]

“16 Do you not know that if you continually surrender yourselves to anyone to do his will, you are the slaves of him whom you obey, whether that be to sin, which leads to death, or to obedience which leads to righteousness (right doing and right standing with God)?

17 But thank God, though you were once slaves of sin, you have become obedient with all your heart to the standard of teaching in which you were instructed and to which you were committed.

18 And having been set free from sin, you have become the servants of righteousness (of conformity to the divine will in thought, purpose, and action)”

When God saved you - He freed you from sin, but you remained a slave. Now, rather than being bound to sin, you are bound to righteousness.

In every area of your life you are obligated to do what honors God

There are some who believe that when Christ sets them free, they are free to do whatever they want. [Not amazing Grace – but this is crazy grace]

- * That is not so.
- * The apostle Paul realized that when he began following Christ he became a **“bondservant”** of Christ, and his life was no longer his own

Romans 1:1

“ 1 FROM PAUL, a bond servant of Jesus Christ (the Messiah) called to be an apostle, (a special messenger) set apart to [preach] the Gospel (good news) of and from God,

2 Which He promised in advance [long ago] through His prophets in the sacred Scriptures--

3 [The Gospel] regarding His Son, Who as to the flesh (His human nature) was descended from David,

4 And [as to His divine nature] according to the Spirit of holiness was openly designated the Son of God in power [in a striking, triumphant and miraculous manner] by His resurrection from the dead, even Jesus Christ our Lord (the Messiah, the Anointed One).

5 *It is through Him that we have received grace* (God's unmerited favor) and [our] apostleship to promote obedience to the faith and make disciples for His name's sake among all the nations,

6 *And this includes you, called of Jesus Christ and invited [as you are] to belong to Him*"

* Now, rather than being enslaved to sin, Paul was enslaved to God and His righteousness.

Paul could not enter the workplace, home, church or anywhere and act selfishly.

He understood that, as a slave of righteousness, he was obligated to live a holy life, honoring his Master.

Righteous living is not an option for a Christian

* Nor is it something we must try to do over time. It is an obligation, mandatory for every child of God. Our freedom in Christ is not freedom to do what we want. It is freedom to live righteously, something we could not do when we were in to sin. Now that we are free to live righteously, we must allow the Holy Spirit to produce in us a holy, sanctified life.

When you sell out to God many will ask crazy questions you need to answer the crazy questions.

* Have you seen God!

* I would have if I had lived at the right time – Have you seen President Lincoln?

God is personal you don't prove Him you experience Him!

The Lords Touch Brings Deliverance

James 5:13-18 [Message]

“15 Are you hurting? Pray. Do you feel great? Sing. Are you sick? Call
the church leaders together to pray and anoint you with oil in the name of
the Master.

Believing-prayer [prayer of faith] will heal you, and Jesus will put you on your feet. And if you've sinned, you'll be forgiven—healed inside and out.

16-18 Make this your common practice: Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you can live together whole and healed. The prayer of a person living right with God is something powerful to be reckoned with. Elijah, for instance, human just like us, prayed hard that it wouldn't rain, and it didn't—not a drop for three and a half years. Then he prayed that it would rain, and it did. The showers came and everything started growing again.

19-20 My dear friends, if you know people who have wandered off from God's truth, don't write them off. Go after them. Get them back and you will have rescued precious lives from destruction and prevented an epidemic of wandering away from God”

We live in a world of hurts. Hearts are hurting, homes are hurting, and hopes are hurting. The church must touch the world with the message of hope. In addressing this issue, James dealt with the situation, the solution.

1. The Situation (vv. 13-15) People find themselves in all kinds of situations. Some people are in pressure situations, others are experiencing pleasure and some are in pain. [Afflicted / Happy / Sick]

Situation

Set of circumstance – state of affairs – position – location and surroundings – circumstance made by decisions – state of affairs due to choices – my location living conditions – surroundings due to life- style, habits, hang ups, addictions

Where do you find yourself this very moment!

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[So the question](#) [is not only where do you find yourself – that's only one part of it - the second part of the question is what are you going to do about it?](#)

Are you hurting means your Praying

Are you happy means you are Singing

Are you sick – [Physical – Mentally – Addicted – Diseased – Oppressed – Depressed – Oh this list goes on] means you are Calling the elders

[With every Action – There is a Reaction](#)