Romans 8

I Have Freedom in Christ

In Christ...

1. I am free of judgement.

Romans 8:1 (NIV) "Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus"

Romans 3:20 (NIV) "Therefore no one will be declared righteous in God's sight by the works of the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of our sin."

Romans 8:2 (NIV) "because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death."

Romans 8:3 (NIV) "For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in the flesh"

Romans 8:3_b-4 (NIV) "And so he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit."

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2. I am free to identify in Christ.

Romans 8:5 (NIV) "Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires."

Romans 8:6-8 (NIV) "The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. ⁸Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God."

Romans 8:10 (NIV) "But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life because of righteousness."

Romans 8:14-15 (NIV) "For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God.¹⁵The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, 'Abba, Father.'"

Romans 8:16-17 (NIV) "The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. ¹⁷Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory."

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3. I am free to hope.

Romans 8:18 (NIV) "I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us."

Romans 8:24_b**-25 (NIV)** "hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently."

Romans 8:28-30 (NIV) "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. ²⁹For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. ³⁰And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified."

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4. Lam free of all fear.

Romans 8:31 (NIV) "What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?"

Romans 8:32 (NIV) "He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?"

Romans 8:35 (NIV) "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?"

Romans 8:37 (NIV) "No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us."

Romans 8:38-39 (NIV) "For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, ³⁹neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord."