

## Encountering Freedom in 2025 - 1 - POWER TO BE FREE

### I. WHY PURSUE FREEDOM? JESUS WANTS US TO HAVE IT

**ISAIAH 61:1** *"The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon Me, SPIRIT  
Because the LORD has **anointed Me**  
To preach **good tidings to the poor**; FREEDOM  
He has sent Me to **heal the brokenhearted**,  
To proclaim **liberty to the captives**,  
And the **opening of the prison to those who are bound**;  
2 To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD,  
And the **day of vengeance** of our God; UPON HIS ENEMIES - ELOHIM  
To **comfort all who mourn**,  
3 To console those who mourn in Zion, PHYSICAL/EMOTIONAL HEALING  
To give them **beauty for ashes**,  
The oil of **joy for mourning**,  
The **garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness**;  
That they may be called trees of righteousness, RESULT OF FREEDOM  
The planting of the LORD, that He may be glorified."  
4 And they shall rebuild the old ruins,  
They shall raise up the **former desolations**,  
And they shall repair the ruined cities,  
The desolations of many generations. RESTORE FAMILIES*

#### A. SOMETHING NEW IS HERE - CHANGE YOUR THINKING TO RECEIVE NEW THINGS!

**MK 1:15** and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and **the kingdom of God is at hand**.  
**Repent, and believe in the gospel.**"

#### B. HIS LOVE SETS US FREE - FREEDOM brings *Spiritual Health* FEELING LOVED BY GOD IS THE BEGINNING OF FREEDOM

**JOHN 10:10** *The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.*

**Prov. 13:12** *Hope deferred makes the heart sick,  
But when the desire comes, it is a **tree of life**.*

- **HOPELESSNESS AND DEFEAT MAKES US SICK AND WEAK BUT  
A FULFILLED HEART IS LIFE!**

**Eph. 3:13** *Therefore I ask that you do not lose heart at my tribulations for you, which is your glory.*

**Eph. 3:14** **For this reason** *I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, 15 from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, 16 that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man, 17 that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, 18 may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height— 19 to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.*

### C. THE TRUTH OF HIS LOVE SETS US FREE

**John 8:32** *And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.”*

**JOHN 3:16** *For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.*

## II. FREEDOM IS PERSONAL TRANSFORMATION INSPIRED BY LOVE

### A. RENEWING THE MIND - **CHANGING THE WAY YOU THINK!**

**Rom. 12:1** *I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. 2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God. (EXPERIENCE HIS PERFECT WILL)*

**NLT - ROM 12:2** *Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think....*

#### 1. OUR BELIEFS ARE BARRIERS TO FEELING LOVED BY GOD

- “HAVING GOOD BELIEFS IS FAR MORE POWERFUL TO TRANSFORM OUR LIFE THAN HAVING GOOD BEHAVIOR” —  
**STEVE BACKLUND - BELIEVING LIKE JESUS IS MORE POWERFUL THAN ACTING LIKE JESUS**
- “NOTHING IS MORE POWERFUL TO TRANSFORMING OUR LIFE THAN BEING LOVED BY GOD”  
**ENCOUNTERING FREEDOM**

2. **THE LENS OR FILTER OF STRONGHOLDS** - *“Any area of our life that does not Glisten with hope is an area that we are believing a lie.”*  
**Francis Frangipanne**

- **A STRONGHOLD IS A LIE WE BELIEVE**
- **REJECTION** - *Feeling unloved or rejected is one of the greatest lies we can believe. MOST PERVASIVE LIE IN WORLD DENIES LOVE*

**ILLUSTRATION - SUNGLASSES - THE LENS OF REJECTION**

- **GENERATIONAL** - *We are in a conflict that began before the foundation of the World. We should not be surprised that it transcends beyond a single generation. **THE ENEMY HATES FAMILY BECAUSE PROMISES FROM GOD TRAVEL THROUGH BLOODLINES***

3. **RECKONING OUR LIFE WITH TRUTH EXPOSES LIES**

**ROM. 6:10** *For the death that He died, He died to sin once for all; but the life that He lives, He lives to God. 11 Likewise you also, reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

- **BELIEVING LIES LEADS TO BONDAGE BUT BELIEVING TRUTH SETS US FREE**
- **WE MUST RECONCILE THE MEMORY OF OUR SIN IN THIS WORLD WITH THE RECORD OF JESUS' RIGHTEOUSNESS IN HEAVEN. BALANCE IS FOR RECORD TO BE THE SAME.**
- **WITHOUT JESUS' BLOOD THER IS NO BALANCE IN OUR ACCOUNT. WE ARE WAY OVERDRAWN**

B. **THE BLOOD OF JESUS**

- **THE RECORD OF OUR LIFE IS EVEN IN OUR BLOOD - OUR DNA**  
**JESUS RE-WITES THE RECORD OF OUR LIFE**

**Heb. 9:11** *But Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation. 12 Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, **having obtained eternal redemption.** 13 For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the*

*unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh, 14 how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?*

## **1. THE POWER OF THE GOSPEL RANSOMS US GENERATIONALLY**

**1Pet. 1:18 NLT** For you know that God paid a ransom **to save you from the empty life you inherited from your ancestors**. And it was not paid with mere gold or silver, which lose their value. <sup>19</sup> It was **the precious blood of Christ, the sinless, spotless Lamb of God.** <sup>20</sup> **God chose him as your ransom** long before the world began, but now in these last days he has been revealed for your sake.

## **2. ALL OTHER CLAIMS ON YOU ARE CANCELED BY HIS BLOOD**

**FREEDOM HAPPENS WHEN WE APPLY HIS VICTORY TO EVERY AREA OF OUR LIFE. SIN. TRAUMA. MISTAKES. GENERATIONAL TRADING. FAILURE AND ALL DEFEAT. WE HAVE TO DO IT. IT DOESN'T HAPPEN BY ITSELF. **EVEN GENERATIONALLY!****

## **3. HIS BLOOD IS PAYMENT FOR YOUR FREEDOM (RANSOM)**

*GRACE - FAITH - SPIRIT - RESTORATION - FREEDOM - LIFE*

## **C. THE HOLY SPIRIT INSIDE TRANSFORMS OUR LIFE**

**2 COR 3:17** Now the Lord is the Spirit; and **where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.** **18** But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, **are being transformed** into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.

## **III. HOW DOES THE BREAKTHROUGH OF FREEDOM HAPPEN?**

**THESE ACTIONS ARE ALWAYS PRESENT WHEN FREEDOM HAPPENS**

**REPENT OF ALL SIN**

**RECEIVE FORGIVENESS, HELP, CLEANSING - HOLY SPIRIT**

**RENOUNCE ALL LIES/AGREEMENTS AND **REBUKE** THE ADVERSARY**

**REPLACE THE BEHAVIOR WALK IT OUT.**