



# *Living Free*

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*If the Son makes you free you are free indeed - John 8:36*

*Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage.*

**Galatians 5:1**

noun: **freedom**

- the power or right to act, speak, or think as one wants without hindrance or restraint.
- the state of not being imprisoned or enslaved.
- the state of being physically unrestricted and able to move easily.
- absence of subjection to foreign domination or despotic government.
- the state of not being subject to or affected by (a particular undesirable thing).
- the power of self-determination attributed to the will; the quality of being independent of fate or necessity.
- unrestricted use of something.
- Wikipedia: Freedom, generally, is having the ability to act or change without constraint. Something is "free" if it can change easily and is not constrained in its present state.

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noun: snare

- a trap for catching birds or animals, typically one having a noose of wire or cord.
- Trap, net noose – a thing likely to lure or tempt someone to harm or error "the wickedness and snares of the Devil"
- Pitfall, trick, trap, tangle, web, mesh, catch, danger, hazard, peril, toils.

Origin - *snare* 'harp string'

### THE SNARES OF THE ENEMY

- **Gen 3:13/2 Cor 11:3** He is a deceiver.
  - **John 10:10** He is a thief who comes to kill steal and destroy.
  - **John 8:44-47** He is the Father of lies and a murderer.
  - **Luke 8:12** He snatches the word from our hearts.
  - **1 Peter 5:8** He walks around like a roaring lion looking for those to devour.
  - **2 Corinthians 4:4** He is the god of this age who blinds us.
  - **Revelation 12:10** He is the accuser of the brethren, accusing us day and night.
  - **2 Corinthians 11:13-15** He transforms himself into an angel of light.
  - **Isaiah 14:12-14/Matt 4:9-10** He wants to be worshipped above God.
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- **1 Timothy 3:7** he must have a good testimony lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the enemy.
  - **2 Timothy 2:26** and that they may come to their senses and escape the snare of the devil, having been taken captive to do his will.
  - **2 Corinthians 2:11** - lest Satan should take advantage of us; for we are not ignorant of his devices.









# KINGDOM TRANSFORMATION



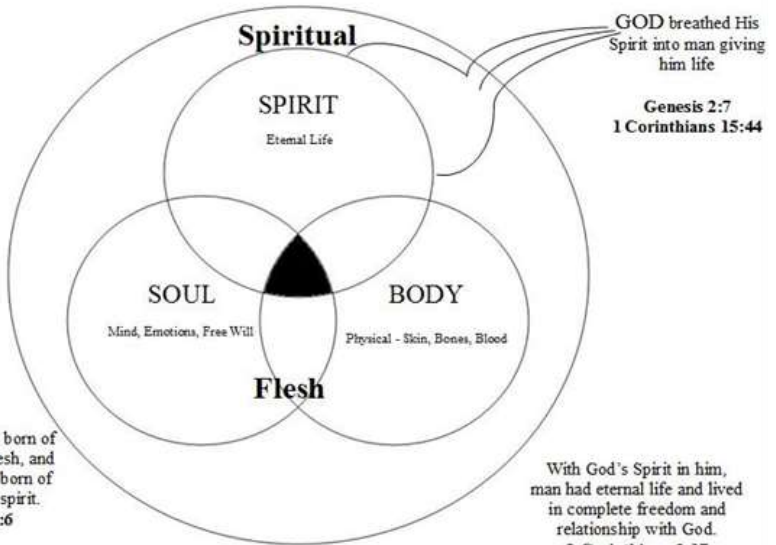
**CATERPILLAR    COCOON    BUTTERFLY**



*He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love.*  
Colossians 1:13 (NKJV)





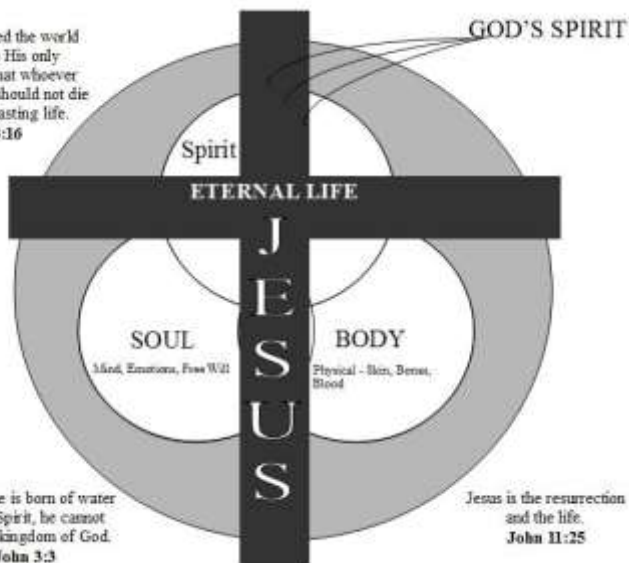


Satan came to kill, steal, and destroy Man's life and freedom. Man chose to listen to Satan rather than God resulting in spiritual death and bondage.  
**John 10:10**  
**Romans 8:13**

GOD



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



Unless one is born of water  
 and the Spirit, he cannot  
 enter the kingdom of God.  
**John 3:3**

Jesus is the resurrection  
 and the life.  
**John 11:25**



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Are you living like a Caterpillar or a Butterfly?

<b>WHAT IS?</b>	<b>CATERPILLAR</b> <small>DEFEATED CHRISTIAN</small>	<b>BUTTERFLY</b> <small>VICTORIOUS CHRISTIAN</small>
<b>Your Focus</b>	<b>Works</b> <small>(Ephesians 2:9, Galatians 2:16, 2 Timothy 1:9)</small>	<b>Jesus</b> <small>(John 14:6)</small>
<b>Your Object of Faith</b>	<b>Our Performance</b> <small>(Isaiah 64:6, Rom 3:23, Gal 2:16-18)</small>	<b>The Cross</b> <small>(Col 2:13-15, Galatians 2:20)</small>
<b>Your Power Source</b>	<b>Self</b> <small>(Jer. 17:5-6, Rom 1:25, Gal 3:1-9)</small>	<b>The Holy Spirit</b> <small>(Jer 17:7-8, Romans 8:1-11, Galatians 3:1-5, Gal 3:14)</small>
<b>Your Result</b>	<b>Failure and Bondage</b> <small>(Romans 7:24)</small>	<b>Victory</b> <small>(1Cor 7:23, 1Cor 15:57, 2Cor 2:14, Gal 4:6-7 &amp; 5:1, 2 Peter 1:3-4)</small>

Fear  
Resentment  
Ager  
Unforgiveness  
Disappointment



Freedom  
Affirmed  
Identity  
Transformed  
Hope

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You have never seen a butterfly floating around the garden with its cocoon still attached and functioning. Neither have you seen a locust continuing to carry around its shell. I say unto you, many do not understand who I have made them to be. Even when they learn their true identity in Me, they still return to their cocoons and shells, acting like their old self. But this is not so with you. You have turned from the past with all its thoughts, sins and attitudes. You function now in the new nature which recognizes that you were made in the likeness of God from the beginning. Therefore, without pretense or shame, be righteous and holy. Be you. It glorifies Me in You.

Ephesians 4:21-24 "Since you have heard about Jesus and have learned the truth that comes from him, throw off your old sinful nature and your former way of life, which is corrupted by lust and deception. Instead, let My Spirit renew your thoughts and attitudes. Put on your new nature, created to be like God—truly righteous and holy."

WHAT THE LORD IS SAYING TODAY,  
Rus & Bev Robinson

My Precious Daughter,

I want you to experience the riches of your salvation; the joy of being loved constantly and unconditionally. You make it a practice of judging yourself based on how you look, behave or feel. If you like what you see in the mirror, you feel a bit more worthy of My love. When things are going smoothly and your performance seems adequate, you find it easier to believe you are My beloved child. When you feel discouraged, you tend to look inward so you can correct whatever is wrong.

Instead of trying to "fix" yourself, *fix your gaze on ME*, the lover of your soul. Rather than using your energy to judge yourself, redirect it to praising Me. Remember that I see you clothed in My Righteousness, radiant in My perfect Love.

Your Father, your Husband, your Lover, your Bridegroom  
(Ephesians 2:7-8; Hebrews 1:1; Psalm 24:5)

JESUS CALLING,  
Devotions for Every Day of the Year by Sarah Young



## THOUGHTS - The Front line of the Battle

### What do you believe? Who do you believe?

*“You can’t stop birds flying over your head, but you can stop them building a nest in your head”*

- **Romans 12:2** Do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind that you may know what is the good, acceptable, and perfect, will of God.
- **Ephesians 6:10-18** Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual *hosts* of wickedness in the heavenly *places*. Therefore, take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.
- **2 Corinthians 10:4-6** For the weapons of our warfare *are* not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ, and being ready to punish all disobedience when your obedience is fulfilled.
- **Hebrews 4:12** For the word of God *is* living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.



## Live in the freedom of your born-again identity and purpose

- **John 4:23-24** But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. God *is* Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.”
- **John 8:31-32** *If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.*
- **2 Corinthians 3:17** Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord *is*, there *is* freedom.
- **Galatians 4:7** Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.
- **Galatians 5:16-18.** Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.
- **Romans 12:2** Do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind that you may know what is the good, acceptable, and perfect, will of God.
- **Ephesians 3:20** Now to Him who is able, to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us,
- **Nehemiah 8:10** Do not sorrow for the joy of the Lord is your strength.
- **1 Corinthians 15:57** *But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.*
- **Revelation 1:5-6** *To Him who loved us and washed us (freed us) from our sins in His own blood and has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.*





## Living Free Every Day

*“Just forget about yourself, concentrate on Him and worship Him”*

**Psalm 43:3** *Send out your light and truth and let them lead me to Your Holy Hill*

- Surrender all to Jesus, daily **Matthew 16:25, Galatians 2:20**
- Pursue knowing God and intimacy with God, in daily relationship in the word and prayer. **John 15:4-5**
- Believe in your identity and purpose in Christ **2 Cor 5:17-21**
- Keep your mind on the simplicity which is in Christ Jesus. **2 Corinthians 11:3, Psalm 131:1**
- Yield to the Holy Spirit, submit to the Word Galatians **5:14-26**
- Submit to God, resist the devil and he will flee from you **James 4:7**
- Flee from sin **2 Timothy 2:2, 1 Corinthians 6:18, 10:14**
- Remind yourself throughout the day, you are free, you are a child of God. **Galatians 4:4-7**
- Praise and Worship - the joy of the Lord is your strength. **Nehemiah 8:10**
- Walk continually in the light of His presence. **Psalm 89:15-16**
- Ask Him to fill you with His divine love to love others. **Romans 5:5**
- Confess sin, Forgive continually. **1 John 1:9, Matthew 6:14**
- Take thoughts captive, cast down high things, imaginations, pull down strongholds **2 Corinthians 10:4-6**
- Put on the full armor of God everyday **Ephesians 6:10-18**
- Pray continuously Romans **12:12**
- Be humble **Romans 12:3 & 16**
- Be filled with the Spirit continually **Ephesians 5:18**
- **Believe, Believe, Believe** - All things are possible to him who believes **Mark 9:23**

## Reflection:

- What has the Holy Spirit revealed to you about living in freedom? How has the enemy tried to disrupt and distract you from God's freedom, identity, and purpose for your life?

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- Choose at least one scripture which you will carry with you.

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*Father God,*

*Thank you for revealing all the evil works of my enemy Satan and his attacks on my life. I have been living like a caterpillar defeated in spirit and tired of living with hidden wounds, hurts, fears, and shame. Thank you for Your great love and Your shed blood on the cross which sets me free to become a butterfly and live, in freedom. Thank you for the powerful Name of Jesus which protects me and delivers me from Satan's plan to destroy me. Thank you for Your word which sets me free and reveals Your plan and purposes for my life.*

*Lord Jesus, shine Your light and Your truth into my life every day. Show me Your truth in every situation when I am fearful, stressed or making wrong choices. Expose the lies of Satan and his ways of deceiving me. I give You permission to reveal and change anything in me which hinders Your work in my life Lord.*

*Help me to live every day in freedom, like a butterfly, relying on Your word and Your power to give me strength to fly and become the woman you want me to be. Lead me to your Holy hill, the place where I worship You with my love and service.*

*I pray this in Jesus' powerful name,  
Amen*

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