

Don't Abuse Your Freedom

The Freedom Series Sermon #3

#1 - Now That I'm Saved, I Can Sin All I Want - WRONG!, Romans 5:18-6:4

The Apostle Paul began encountering Christians who started willfully sinning, just because they knew God had forgiven all their sins and they thought they could and should live as they liked.

Christian, if you are here today living life whatever way you want, regardless of God's commands, you are abusing your freedom in Christ. Yes, God has forgiven all your sins when you accepted Him as your Savior. When God saves someone, He forgives all their sins; past, present and future. But that does not give you a license to sin! Instead, we are to live a life that honors and glorifies God. Or, as Paul puts it in chapter six, verse 4: "we too might walk in newness of life."

Peter says this in I Peter 2:12

Keep your behavior excellent among the Gentiles, so that in the thing in which they slander you as evildoers, they may because of your good deeds, as they observe *them*, glorify God in the day of visitation.

Jesus said this in Matthew 5:16

"Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven."

#2 - Don't Abuse Your Freedoms If Others Stumble, I Corinthians 8 (vs. 9), (see Matt. 17:24-27).

I Corinthians chapter 8 talks about not eating meat sacrificed to idols if it would cause younger brothers in Christ to stumble.