

Free in Christ!

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Thank you so much for choosing to worship with us today! We are thrilled you are here!

So now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus. And because you belong to him, the power of the life-giving Spirit has freed you from the power of sin that leads to death. The law of Moses was unable to save us because of the weakness of our sinful nature. So, God did what the law could not do. He sent his own Son in a body like the bodies we sinners have. And in that body God declared an end to sin's control over us by giving his Son as a sacrifice for our sins. He did this so that the just requirement of the law would be fully satisfied for us, who no longer follow our sinful nature but instead follow the Spirit.

Romans 8:1-4

Ever feel unworthy? Ever feel like you will never get past your past? Ever feel like you don't have a chance because you are already judged and sentenced? Ever wonder how you can move forward?

Paul says at the end of Romans 7 that his deliverance from sin is found in Jesus. He continues in Romans 8 to say that in Jesus there is no condemnation, no judgement, no punishment, no accusation. Instead he says there is freedom -- freedom from sin, freedom from our past, freedom to move forward! The Holy Spirit gives us the ability to live free in Christ.

We are coming up on the celebration of July 4th. The celebration of independence of the USA. As we celebrate this, we are reminded of those who have given their lives for the freedoms we enjoy in this country. Multiple battles have been fought and multiple lives have been given.

Spiritually, we celebrate our freedoms through the giving of one life that provides for us the release from the rule of sin and death. We celebrate the freedom to live in Christ and know that there is no condemnation for our sins. The life of Jesus was given to take our place and satisfy the law of sin and death.

Celebrate your freedom in Christ! And tell someone else about it!

All Things for Christ,
Michael