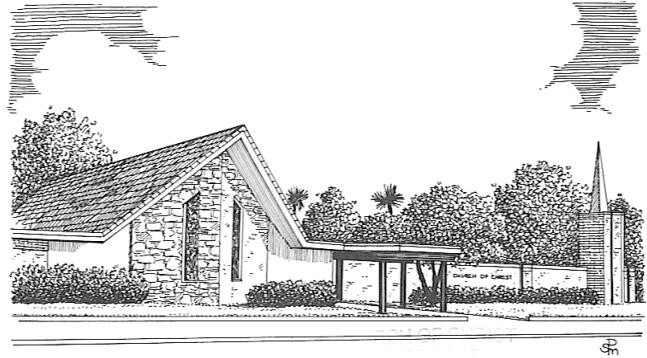


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Spiritual Freedom

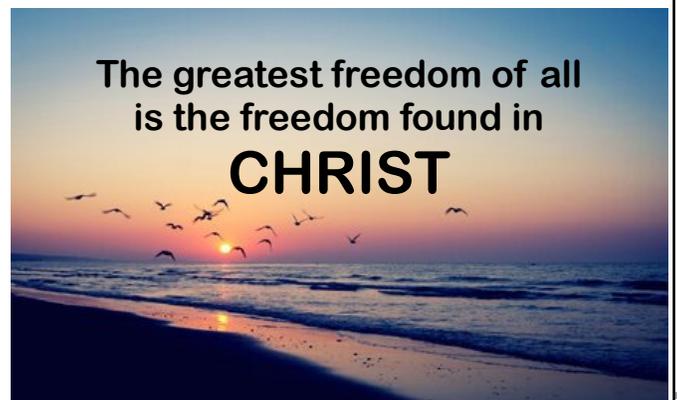
When the Fourth of July is celebrated each year we are reminded of the freedom that we enjoy as American citizens. May we truly appreciate our freedom, and may we never take it for granted. As special as national freedom is, however, spiritual freedom is even more precious. Jesus touched on this kind of freedom in John 8:31-32: *"Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."* As we study principles relating to spiritual freedom, let us make three observations.

First, Christ is the only one who gives spiritual freedom. Jesus made this clear when He said, *"If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed"* (John 8:36). He later stated, *"I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me"* (John 14:6).

Second, Christ gives spiritual freedom to His true disciples. The Lord's true disciples are those who "continue" [abide] in His word. Consequently, they are able to know the truth. Knowing the truth is vitally important because it is the truth that makes one free from sin. It is interesting that Jesus made this statement to people who believed on Him. We conclude that simply believing on Jesus will not result in spiritual freedom. The Lord has additional requirements that are revealed in His Word.

Third, Christ gives spiritual freedom to those who obey the truth. In Romans 6:17-18 we read: *"But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness."* Have you obeyed the truth?

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To give glory to God
To be unified in reaching others
To be living witnesses for Christ

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As we celebrate Independence Day, let us recall Paul's words to the Galatians: "You were called to freedom, brothers and sisters, only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence... (Galatians 5:13 NRSV). May God enable us to use our freedom for service and the love of one another. We welcome you all.

"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. (Ephesians 6:18)"

Pray for our Church family:

Pray that the Lord will comfort Jeff Mercer and family as they mourn the loss of Michelle. Continue to pray for the improved health of: Mae Britton, Kerry Britton, Sue Collins, Phyllis Francis, Leo & Wanda Goodenough, Delores Jensen, Betty Johnson, Brenda Jones, John Leonard, Roy & Lucy McDonald, Jeff Mercer, Jerry Munn, Dail Paramore, Francis Pati and Joyce Winings.

Pray for family & friends:

Please pray for Jim & Mary Ann D'Arcy's daughter-in-law Tammy as she will soon have cancer surgery and follow up treatment and continue to pray for the improved health of Mary Fields, Keith & Lisa Britton, Delores' brother Len, Marjorie Counts, Kathy's husband Kevin, Brianna Schaldweiler, Robert Gray, Derek Fields, Dail's friend Marie, Brenda's son Uriah, Rossie Stansbury, and Wanda's daughter Lynette.

First responders: Please keep those who are serving their communities in your prayers: Phyllis Francis' extended family member Alisha K. (EMT). Dail Paramore and Stuart Huggins' family members: Joanna Carter (Nurse), Luther Carter (Naval Officer), Jody Huggins and Jory Huggins (both are MI Patrol Officers). Jerry Munn's sister, Dr. Janice Massey of N.C. If you have family members or friends you would like to add to this prayer list, please let Kathy know.

Military:

Jeff & Michelle Mercer's son-in-law Brandon Deussenberry, Glenn Fields, and Kathy's family friends T. Burgess and Tony Cairo.

Prayer Warriors Corner

Dear God, help us spend time with what You have put within our reach and ability to understand. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Power For Today: Harold Shank, October 2017

Read: Deuteronomy 30:11-14

News:

Heaven bound: Michelle Ferrell-Mercer, returned to her heavenly home on June 30, 2021 after a valiant battle with a long illness. Michelle's devotion to her family and her firm belief in God supported her in her struggle and ultimately gave her peace.

Individually wrapped communion supplies are available for those who are not comfortable with in-person worship service and/or during temporary closures.

In Search of the Lord's Way: Watch excellent Bible-based messages every Sunday, 7:30 a.m., on KCWQ, VHF channel 2 or UHF channel 26. Also Available ANY TIME online with You Tube. Just enter: SearchTVMinistry and pick a sermon. <https://youtu.be/FxMzZ6ZKMdQ>

Scripture readings:

Luke 17:20,21

Once, having been asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come Jesus replied, "The Kingdom of God does not come with your careful observation, nor will people say, 'Here it is,' or 'There it is,' because the kingdom of God is within you."

Romans 13:5-7

Therefore, it is necessary to submit to the authorities, not only because of possible punishment but also because of conscience. This is also why you pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, who give their full time to governing. Give everyone what you owe him: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor.

**Sermon topic:
"Serving God and Country"**



Birthdays:

Beverly Whatley:	7/1
Blake Axsom:	7/15
Yanira Fuentes:	7/18
Betty Johnson:	7/19

Wedding Anniversaries:

B & A Axsom:	7/19
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**Worship service:
Sunday mornings @ 10:30 a.m.**

Unvaccinated individuals are required to wear a mask or cloth face covering

Please bring your own bible

While we will be having in-person worship service on Sunday mornings, we understand that there are many of our number that are still not comfortable attending. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you, and that you are truly missed.

In the meantime, the expenses of maintaining the building, yard care, property insurance, utilities, etc. continue. If you can continue your financial support, please mail it to:
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God bless us all and bless our families and loved ones too.

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