

Freedom

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Introduction

1. John 8:31-32 KJV and NKJV
2. Three groups in our lesson
 - a. Those who believe on Him – trust Him as a person
 - b. Those who believe Him – to accept His words without submitting to His will
 - c. Those who abide (NKJV & ASV) or continue in Him – live in the sphere of and be wholly obedient to him.
3. Let us notice the truth about truth, the truth about freedom, liberty is offered.

II Discussion

1. The truth about truth
 - a. What is truth? John 18:38; John 1:17; 8:32; 17:17
 - b. Wherein is its power Romans 1:16; Hebrews 4:12
 - i. It comes from God John 12:49-50
 - ii. Jesus gave it to the Apostles John 17:8, 14
 - iii. The Apostles wrote 2 Timothy 3:16-17; 2 Peter 3:15
 - c. To profit from the truth we must know it Ephesians 5:17
 - i. We are and will be destroyed without knowledge Hosea 4:6; 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9
 - ii. Truth is the only way to come to God John 6:44-45
 - iii. The truth must be taught Romans 10:13-14
 - d. One must obey the truth 1 Peter 1:22-25
 - e. We must continue or abide in the truth 8:31
 - f. One can be blinded to the truth John 8:43, 47; Matthew 13:14-15
2. The truth about freedom
 - a. Freedom implies bondage
 - i. They denied to ever being in bondage Egypt, Babylon, Rome
 1. Sin does not control me!
 - ii. They/ we are in bondage to sin John 8:34; Romans 6:16; 2 Peter 2:19; Acts 8:23
 - iii. By the snare of the devil 2 Timothy 2:25-26
 - b. The need for freedom
 - i. One must be convinced he is lost before he can be saved
 - ii. We might make claims like the Jews did John 8:37-39
 1. I am a member of the church
 2. Do you act like one?
 3. Do you act like a child of God or the devil John 8:44
 - iii. One is servant of the one he obeys Romans 6:16
3. Liberty is offered
 - a. The Gospel is the law of liberty James 1:25; 2:12
 - b. Liberty does not mean you can do as you please Galatians 5:13; 1 Peter 2:16
 - c. Makes one free from the law of sin and death Romans 8:2; Galatians 5:1
 - d. One can be free from the fleshly desires, the devil, evil conscience the cares of the world and death

III Conclusion

1. Satan wants to keep people in bondage; we know this by what people say
 - a. Can't understand the Bible
 - b. Can't know everything

- c. Various false doctrines that are taught.
- 2. To know the truth we must
 - a. Amide in the Lord's Word John 8:32
 - b. Keep the Lord's Word 8:51
- 3. What will you do with the truth?
 - a. Obey or ignore

Sources: G.A. New Testament commentary on John by Woods; Bases of Belief sermon outlines from John; Show us the Father by W.T. Hamilton; Porter sermon outlines