## Freedom in You



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TOPICS: Daily Devotion; God's Presence; Holiness; Living in Christ;

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LEAD-IN: Now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves to

God, the benefit you reap leads to holiness, and the result is eternal life.

(Romans 6:22, NIV)

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## LEAD-IN DEVOTIONAL READING:

## **Complete Freedom**

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Often we define freedom as the ability to do what we choose. But even when we can choose, we are not free. Though not bound by another human being, our choices are bound by our own self-centeredness, our weakness, our ignorance, our mortality, and our addiction to sin. These chains are the most binding of all.

Do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires.

Don't you know that when you offer yourselves to someone to obey him as slaves, you are slaves to the one whom you obey—whether you are slaves to sin, which leads to death, or to obedience, which leads to righteousness? (Romans 6:12, 16, NIV)

True freedom is the ability to be all that our Creator designed us to be, free from bondage to selfishness, mortality, and sin. True freedom is oneness with Jesus Christ. In Him we become all God's love wants for us and all His unlimited power can make us.

Oneness with Christ doesn't come by strenuous effort, by strict self-discipline, or by personal merit. This freeing oneness comes by simple, moment-by-moment trust in Him.

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