

Doctrine of A Scriptural Perspective of a Life of Liberty

1. The value that God places upon personal liberty is reflected in the provision for a Year of Jubilee among the Jewish people.
 - *Leviticus 25:10 And ye shall hallow the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof: it shall be a jubilee unto you; and ye shall return every man unto his possession, and ye shall return every man unto his family.*

2. All liberty finds its ultimate origin in the principles of the Word of God.

Psalm 119:45 And I will walk at liberty: for I seek thy precepts.

3. The work of the Messiah was to provide liberty to those in spiritual chains of sin.
 - *Isaiah 61:1 The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound;*

4. From time to time the Lord allowed His people to be enslaved to remind them how precious liberty really is.
 - *Jeremiah 34:17 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Ye have not hearkened unto me, in proclaiming liberty, every one to his brother, and every man to his neighbor: behold, I proclaim a liberty for you, saith the LORD, to the sword, to the pestilence, and to the famine; and I will make you to be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth.*

5. When Jesus came, on the first Sabbath that He preached, He opened the scroll to the Messianic passage predicting His privilege of setting those in spiritual bondage free.
 - *Luke 4:18 The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised,*

6. One day, all the vestiges of sins shall be removed both from man and from creation.
 - *Romans 8:21 Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.*

7. Having been set free from the power, pollution, and penalty of sin's curse, the Christian is not to use his liberty in order to sin or to cause someone else to sin.
 - *1 Corinthians 8:9 But take heed lest by any means this liberty of yours become a stumbling block to them that are weak. Gal 5:13 For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another.*
8. Only in Christ can any man know something about true freedom.
 - *2 Corinthians 3:17 Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.*
9. As there are many enemies of personal and political freedom, so there are enemies of spiritual freedom as well.
 - *Galatians 2:4 And that because of false brethren unawares brought in, who came in privily to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus, that they might bring us into bondage:*
10. Every Christian is exhorted to remain free in Christ.
 - *Galatians 5:1 Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.*
11. To guide the believer in the sphere of faith, the Lord has given the Church the Scriptures that are to be studied diligently.
 - *James 1:25 But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed.*