

Proclaimed Liberty to the Captives

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"The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon Me; because the LORD has anointed Me to preach Good-News unto the poor; He has sent Me to bind up the brokenhearted, **to proclaim liberty to the captives**, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound." ([Isaiah 61:1](#))

Jesus also said, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has Anointed Me to preach the Good-News to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, **to preach deliverance to the captives**, and recovering of sight to the blind, and to set at liberty those who are bruised." (see [Luke 4:16-18-22](#))

Proclaim: from the Hebrew word *liqro* which means: to-proclaim; to call-out; to make proclamation; to proclaim by reading; In context: it will come to pass, and it came to pass when Jesus Himself quoted this prophecy in reference to Himself!

Preach: from the Greek word *keryxai* which means: to preach, to proclaim publicly; especially in regards to things related to the Good-News of salvation, deliverance from sin, Eternal life, etc...; all received through Christ Jesus.

Liberty: from the Hebrew word *derowr* which means: liberty; release; in the sense of free flowing, or free to run; to be free from bondage; freedom from sin and its punishment!

Deliverance: from the Greek word *aphesin* which means: a sending away, a letting go, a release, pardon, thus deliverance; or complete forgiveness; in context: as in liberty and freedom from bondage, imprisonment, debt, sin and its punishment, etc..

Captives: from the Hebrew word *lisbuyim* which means: captives; in context refers to persons who have been taken 'captive' and placed into bondage - either by sin and/or by satan. And from the Greek word *aichmalotois* which means: captives, prisoners; as taken in warfare. Properly, a prisoner of war. In context: spiritual warfare, in which the enemies are sin; and "the rulers of the darkness of this world, principalities, and powers, and spiritual wickedness in high places." (see [Ephesians 6:12](#))

The very serious problem with mankind is that all have sinned and fall short of the standard of holiness necessary to gain entrance to the Kingdom of God! All people are (or were before being set free through Jesus) in captive bondage to their sin nature. And each and every person needs to be set at liberty from this bondage. Not only did Jesus come to 'proclaim liberty and deliverance to all who are captives to sin; He also came to provide the way and the means to set people free and at liberty! Please consider the following promises of Jesus:

"Then said Jesus to those Jews who **believed on Him**, 'If you continue in My Word, then you are My disciples indeed; and you shall know the Truth, and the **Truth shall make you free**.' They answered Him, 'We are Abraham's seed, and were never in bondage to any man; how do You say, 'You shall be made free?' Jesus answered them, 'Truly, truly, I say unto you, **whoever commits sin is the slave of sin**. And the slave does not abide in the house forever; but the Son abides forever. **If the Son therefore shall make you free, you shall be free indeed**.'" ([John 8:31-36](#))

"And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and broke it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, 'Take, eat; this is My body.' And He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, 'Drink you all of it; for this is My blood of the New Covenant, **which is shed for many for the remission of sins**.'" ([Matthew 26:26-28](#))

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After His resurrection from the dead, Jesus also spoke the following to His disciples:

“And He said unto them, 'These are the words which I spoke unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning Me.' Then He (Jesus) opened their understanding, so that they might understand the scriptures; and He said unto them, 'Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ (the Messiah) to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day; and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His Name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.'” ([Luke 24:44-47](#))

Our sinfulness and sin nature is real; please consider the following:

“Through the offense of one (Adam) judgment came upon all men **to condemnation**; even so through the righteousness of **One (Jesus)** the **free gift** (of Eternal Life) came upon all men (who believe) unto **justification of Life**. For as through one man's disobedience **many were made sinners**, even so through the obedience **of One many shall be made righteous**. Moreover the law entered, so that offense might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound; so that as sin has reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto Eternal Life through Jesus Christ our Lord.” ([Romans 5:18-21](#))

“For we know that the law is spiritual; but I am carnal, **sold under sin**. For that which I do I do not understand; for what I would do, that I do not do; but what I hate, that I do. If then I do that which I would not, I consent unto the law that it is good. Now then it is no longer I who does it, **but sin that dwells in me**. For I know that in me, that is, in my flesh, **no good thing dwells**; for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not. For the good that I would, I do not do; but the evil which I would not, that I do. Now if I do that I would not, it is no more I that do it, **but sin that dwells in me**. I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me. For I delight in the law of God after the inward man. But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into **captivity to the law of sin** which is in my members” ([Romans 7:14-21](#))

“For **the wages of sin is death**; but the gift of God **is Eternal Life through Jesus Christ** our Lord.” ([Romans 6:23](#))

Jesus secured our Liberty and Freedom from sin through His death on the cross! Please consider the Following:

“Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, **He (Jesus)** also Himself likewise took part of the same (human flesh); **so that through death** He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil; and deliver those who through fear of death were all their lifetime **subject to bondage**. For truly He took not on Himself the nature of angels; but He took on Himself the **Seed** (the promised Messiah descendent) of Abraham. Therefore in all things it was fitting for Him to be made **like** unto His brethren (human people), so that He might be a Merciful and Faithful High Priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people.” ([Hebrews 2:15-17](#))

“So we, when we were children, were **in bondage** under the elemental-things of the world. But when the fulness of the time had come, God sent forth **His Son (Jesus)**, born of a woman, born under the law, **to redeem (from sin) those who were under the law**, so that we might receive the adoption of sons. And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of **His Son (Jesus)** into your hearts, crying, 'Abba, Father.' Therefore you are no longer a slave, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.” ([Galatians 4:3-7](#))

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Please also consider these exhortations written by the apostle Paul:

“Stand fast therefore in the liberty with which Christ has made **us free**, and do not be entangled again with the yoke of (sinful) bondage.” ([Galatians 5:1](#))

"There is therefore now **no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus**, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death. For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God, sending **His own Son** in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, **condemned sin in the flesh**; so that the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit." ([Romans 8:1-6](#))

“Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh. For if you live after the flesh, **you shall die**; but if you through the Spirit do put to death the deeds of the body, **you shall live.** For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. For you have not received the spirit **of bondage** again to fear; but you have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, 'Abba, Father.' The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit, **that we are the children of God**; and if children, **then heirs; heirs of God**, and joint-heirs **with Christ**; if indeed we suffer with Him.” ([Romans 8:12-17](#))

"Therefore being justified by faith, **we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ**; through whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also; knowing that tribulation works patience; And patience, experience; and experience, hope; and hope makes not ashamed; because **the love of God** is poured forth in our hearts through the Holy Spirit who is given unto us. For when we were yet without strength, in due time **Christ died for the ungodly.** For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man some would even dare to die. But God commends **His love toward us**, in that, **while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.** Much more then, being now justified in His blood, **we shall be saved from wrath through Him.** For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God **through the death of His Son**, much more, being reconciled, we shall **be saved in His life.**” ([Romans 5:1-11](#))

Jesus Proclaimed Liberty to those who were Captives to Sinfulness

Jesus said, “Whoever commits sin is the slave of sin !”

Jesus also said, “If the Son therefore shall make you free, you shall be free indeed !”
Life in Christ Jesus has set us free from the law of sin and death !!

The wages of sin is death !!

But the free gift of God is Eternal Life through Jesus Christ our Lord !!
In Christ Jesus we have been saved from wrath to come through Him !!

Thank You Jesus for Your Grace which abounds towards us unto Eternal Life !!

Thank You Abba Father for sending forth Your Son Jesus into our hearts !!

Thank You for saving us from the wrath to come !!

All Praise, & Glory, & Honor, & Dominion, & Power are Yours Forever & Ever !!
Amen & Amen !!