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## True "Liberty"

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"**Liberty**," or "**freedom**," is mentioned nearly every day in America by media talking heads, journalists, politicians, libertarians, democrats, left wing elitists and even republicans—as the supreme and unquestioned 'right' to which we are all entitled. But what do those words really mean?

To the left—including anti-God, anti-Christian secular elitists in the media, entertainment, the halls of 'higher' learning, and civil government—"liberty" means the 'right' to say and do whatever seems desirable, at any time, at any place. Their idea of 'liberty' and 'freedom' is 'progressive' and 'enlightened' or so they tell us. It includes sexual 'freedom,' and the teaching of homosexuality at taxpayer expense and the innocence of our children; removal of religious symbols and the Ten Commandments from public places—including our schools—as well as prayer at public events, or mentioning the name of Jesus Christ or God...except as 'swear words' in their movies and entertainment.

Their definition of 'liberty' protects 'freedom of expression' including pornography, flag burning, and just recently, the 'right' of college students to video sex acts amongst fellow students for campus television. It also means the 'right' to impose their secular viewpoint upon Christian America whom they believe are moral prudes, ignorant, unenlightened, obstacles to their 'freedom.'

**To Christians, on the other hand, it means something profoundly different, with truly liberating significance.**

When Jesus stood in the Synagogue at Nazareth 2000 years ago and announced His forthcoming ministry, He said, "**The Spirit of the LORD is upon me, because he anointed me to preach the Gospel to the poor. He has "sent me to proclaim 'liberty' to the captives...to set 'free' those who are downtrodden..."**

With these words Jesus revealed that His message would 'liberate' those who were in bondage and 'set free' the oppressed and discouraged.

The Apostle Paul in his epistle to the Galatians says that, "**It was for freedom that Christ set us free**" referring to the 'liberty' that we have in Christ as believers, through His death and resurrection. The word 'liberty' means 'release'.

All who place their faith in Christ have been 'released' from the enslaving power of sin and death into a new and wonderful 'freedom' that unregenerate and unbelieving men and women cannot experience and do not understand. It is the only 'liberty' that sets men and women truly free.

The 'liberty' and 'freedom' spoken of by Jesus Christ and the Apostle Paul is, therefore, vastly different from the licentious and unbridled 'liberty' of which untutored, unrepentant men of intellectual prowess and immoral behavior proclaim in contemporary America. The 'liberty' they espouse is a false 'liberty.' It is the corrupted and perverted 'liberty' of the flesh, which leads only to greater bondage, enslavement to sin, spiritual death, and the destruction of a nation.

The 'liberty', wherewith 'Christ set us free' however, is the "**virtuous liberty**" of which our Founding Fathers fought and died to preserve.

In his March 4<sup>th</sup> 1797 Inaugural Address, President John Adams said, "**May that Being who is supreme over all, the Patron of Order, the Fountain of Justice, and the Protector in all ages of the world of 'virtuous liberty', continue His blessings upon this nation.**"

Efforts to ignore '**virtuous liberty**,' in favor of redefining marriage—including the granting of 'civil unions,' in accordance with the desires of fallen humanity—and denying our 'religious liberty' and 'freedom of speech,' violates what both God and our Founders intended—what George Washington called "the eternal rules of order and right"—and will fail to set men free into the 'liberty' that all must find if they are to be saved from temporal and eternal judgment.

The 'liberty' and 'freedom' of the secular and licentious 'left' in America comes from the very mind of Satan and is nothing short of pure folly to all who are seduced by it, but "**Where the Spirit of the LORD is, there is (true) 'liberty.'**" (II Corinthians 3:17)

There is good reason to say to all American Christians, "Choose you this day" which 'liberty' you will serve. The future of America turns on that decision.

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