



Gospel of John

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John 8: 31-37 (ESV)

So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." ³³ They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?" ³⁴ Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave^{to} to sin. ³⁵ The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶ So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed. ³⁷ I know that you are offspring of Abraham; yet you seek to kill me because my word finds no place in you.

- When you begin to believe in God's love for you, then you and finally begin to abide there—and begin to actually know yourself enough to let God transform you through the renewing of your mind and His process of regeneration through real community.
- He shows them that they are powerless to free themselves from the "occupation of sin," not just the isolated skirmishes on sin's front lines.

Romans 5:2 (ESV)

"Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God."

