

## **CALLED UNTO LIBERTY**

Gal. 5:1,13

A Heavenly calling - Heb. 3:1

A high calling - Phil. 3:14

A holy calling - 1 Tim. 1:9.

“Give diligence to make your calling...sure.” - 2 Peter 1:10

**1. THE RIGHT TO BE FREE** - Gal. 5:13 - “...you have been called unto liberty...”

- 1 Thess. 5:24 - “Faithful is He Who called you, Who also will do it.”
- Romans 8:21 - “...the glorious liberty of the children of God”
- Daniel 12:2 - “...at that time Thy people shall be delivered, everyone that shall be found written in the book”  
(Luke. 10:20; Rev. 13:8).

EX. Lk. 13:16 (see Gal. 3:7, 29) - Mt. 15:26

**2. THE SOURCE OF OUR LIBERTY** - Gal. 5:1 - “...the liberty wherewith Christ has made us free.”

- John 8:36 - “If the Son therefore shall make you free, you shall be free indeed.”
- John 8:32 (“truth”) = the Word (John 17:17) - Jesus (John 14:6)

**3. THE PRICE OF OUR LIBERTY** - Gal. 1:4 - “Jesus Christ...gave Himself for our sins, that He might deliver us...”

- Heb. 2:14, 15 - incarnation and crucifixion - Phil. 2:7,8

**4. THE PURPOSE OF OUR LIBERTY** - Gal. 5:13 - “by love serve...”

A. To serve God - 1 Pet. 2:16; Lk. 1:74,75

B. To serve our fellowmen - 1 Cor. 9:19

EX. Lk. 4:38,39; 8:1-3

**5. THE DANGER OF OUR LIBERTY** - Gal. 5:13 - "...use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh..." - Abuse of freedom: license; 1 Pet. 2:16

**6. THE ENEMY OF OUR LIBERTY** - Gal. 5:8 - "This persuasion comes not from Him that called you" - Satan - some of his tactics:

- A. Hinder - Gal. 5:7; 1 Thess. 2:18; 2 Tim. 2:4 ("entangleth") Lk. 21:34 ("overcharged").
- B. Trouble (Gal. 5:10,12)
- C. Captivate (Gal. 5:1; 2:4)
- D. Deceive (Gal. 3:1 ("bewitch"); Acts 8:9-11; Rev. 12:9; 13:14)

**7. THE LOSS OF LIBERTY** - Gal. 5:1 - "...be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage" - Mt. 12:43-45; 2 Pet. 2:19-21

**8. THE DEFENSE OF OUR LIBERTY** - Gal. 5:1 - "Stand fast...in the liberty"

- "Stand" - Eph. 6:11, 13-14;
- "Resist" - James 4:7; 1 Pet. 5:8,9

**9. THE AGENT OF OUR LIBERTY** - the Holy Spirit - 2 Cor. 3:17 - "...where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty."

- Isa. 10:27 ("anointing")
- Isa. 58:6 ("fasting to release the anointing");
- Lk. 4:18 - Mt. 12:28 - Acts 10:38