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Who You Say I Am Day 2: Verse 2

Free at last, He has ransomed me His grace runs deep While I was a slave to sin Jesus died for me Yes He died for me

Scripture Reference

Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."

- John 8: 34-36



We start today with a challenging fact according to our scripture: everyone who sins is a slave to sin. There's no middle ground in that statement – no "small" sin that didn't leave us a slave; no person who can avoid that slavery when they sin. And this statement comes directly from Jesus himself. He wants us to understand the gravity of our sinning.

Do you recognize you were once a slave to your sin? What sins in your life do you think are maybe "smaller" than other people's sins? Start this session by confessing your sins to your Heavenly Father now.

Do not be discouraged by the sins you just confessed. Instead, look to our scripture that tells us the Son sets us free. Even while you were a slave to sin, if you believe in Jesus, He sets you free. Through His death on the cross, He ransomed each of us who believe. His grace for you runs deep. You will be free indeed. Oh, isn't that such an encouraging promise from our Savior himself?

Do you recognize your bondage - your slavery - has been broken? How are you living in ways that may not exhibit this truth? What changes do you need to make in your mind and your mindset that better exhibit the freedom you are living in. Ask the Holy Spirit to continually remind you the freedom you have in Christ. Thank your Savior for that freedom.





This scripture points to such a beautiful truth that aligns with our song this week. Jesus himself tells us that a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs forever. For those of us with difficult childhoods, we may transition into adulthood without any family or only a few members by our side. We may not have the assurance that family sticks with us through thick and thin. Jesus, however, assures us His family is forever. As His chosen one, dear one, you have a forever place in His family. You belong with Him forever.

What challenges or seasons in your life have you leaned on your family or maybe just friends to help you through so far? What seasons or challenges have you wished your family was there to support you through? You are a part of Jesus' family on both sides of Heaven – on this earth now and in eternity when we rejoin Him. Praise Him today for accepting you into His family.

Maybe you had a difficult childhood, but you knew your parents were trying to give you the best they could. Maybe, instead, you never had the assurance that your parents were always giving you the best they could. For many, we may never have the assurance that our earthly parents would give significant sacrifices on our behalf if required. The beautiful truth of the Gospel and our song – Jesus gave the ultimate sacrifice of dying for each of us because it was required. Our sins required it, and He freely gave it. He loves you that much.

End today in prayer with your Heavenly Father. Thank Him for all the love He has given you through His Son. If your parents gave you the best they could, thank God for that. If they did not, ask God to help release you from any bitterness you are carrying. Thank Him for loving you enough to give the ultimate sacrifice – His life. Praise Him for His love and His grace.

