

Next Sunday, July 4th, we will celebrate freedom. While the Founders have been disparaged over the past couple of years for some of the shortcomings of their efforts, many of us will be giving thanks for their wisdom, ideals, and foresight. We're going to talk about freedom today. It's a powerful subject. It seems that freedom is never a won-n-done matter. We need to be alert to value it and care for it. Like a garden, it needs weeding, feeding, and even de-bugging. There are always those who work hard to rob us of our freedom. As we study Galatians Paul urges us to, "*Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free.*" My question for us all today: what are you doing to ***stand fast in Christ's liberating freedom?***

Christ sets us free

Keep standing firm in that freedom

Do not become entangled again in slavery

Personal Application and Conversations

1. What are some of the ways you like to celebrate your freedom as an American?

2. From what has Christ set you free?

3. What do you do to keep standing firm in your freedom in Christ?

4. What does it take for you to recognize that you are at risk of becoming entangled in any yoke of slavery?



Set Free

Galatians 5:1

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