

Sermon Notes for July 6th 2025

Series: “Freedom in Christ”

Message: “The Truth Will Set You Free”

Sermon Text: **John 8:31-38**; Old Testament Text: **Psalms 119:41-48**; New Testament Text: **2 Corinthians 3:7-18**. Read **John 8:31-38 (below)** as you listen to the sermon, then answer the questions below.

John 8:31-38: So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” ³³They answered him, “We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, ‘You will become free?’” ³⁴Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed. ³⁷I know that you are offspring of Abraham; yet you seek to kill me because my word finds no place in you. ³⁸I speak of what I have seen with my Father, and you do what you have heard from your father.

1. To whom is Jesus speaking in this passage? (John 8:31)
2. What does it mean to *abide in my word*? (John 8:31)
3. What does Jesus say about those who *abide in my word*? (John 8:31-32)
4. Read **John 14:6**. Considering what this passage says, what do you think Jesus means when He says in **John 8:32: *you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free?***
5. From what sorts of things do you think the *truth will set you free*?
6. When the Jews say in **John 8:33: “*We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone,*”** what enslavement(s) have these people already forgotten?

7. According to **John 8:34**, what type of slavery is Jesus talking about?
8. How long do you think most slaves stayed in the master's house? (John 8:35)
9. When Jesus says in **John 8:35: *the son remains forever***, what is He saying about Himself?
10. Reflecting on **John 8:36**, name some ways the Son sets us free?
11. Considering Jesus's audience, why is His statement in **John 8:37**, surprising?
12. What did Jesus know about His audience that enabled Him to say this?
13. In **John 8:38**, who is Jesus implying the Jews' father to be?
14. What will you remember most from this message?