



# I M M E R S E

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## Week 5 Sermon | What is Freedom? | Mar 2, 2025

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### Group Discussion

1. **What's a freedom you enjoyed as a kid that you don't have now?** (e.g., summer break, staying up late, eating whatever you want) How does that compare to how we think about freedom as adults?
2. **Why do you think the world's definition of freedom (no rules, no limits, total independence) often leads to bondage instead?** Can you think of real-life examples?
3. In the message, Pastor Bill described sin as not about breaking rules but rather breaking relationship with God; sin is anything that keeps you from God's purpose for your life. **Does this description change the way you think about sin? Why or why not?** What difference would this description of sin make in your life?
4. Read John 8:31-36, Romans 12:1-2, 2 Peter 2:11-18. **What kind of freedom is Jesus wanting for us?** How is it different from how the world defines freedom?
5. "True freedom is found in surrender." That sounds like a contradiction! Read Mark 8:34-35 and Mark 4:35-41. **How do you think trusting and surrendering to Jesus actually leads to more freedom rather than less?** What can freedom look like and feel like when it's not dependent on our external circumstances?

### Prayer

"Lord Jesus, thank You for setting us free—not to live for ourselves, but to walk in Your truth, love, and purpose. Help us surrender our desires, reject the world's empty promises, and find true peace as we trust you completely. May our lives reflect Your grace as we use our freedom to serve and love others for Your glory. Amen."