

# The Quest for Character: Moral Freedom

## MORAL FREEDOM

So Christ has made us free. Now make sure that you stay free and don't get all tied again in chains of slavery. Galatians 5:1 (Living Bible)



Everyone who commits sin is the slave of sin. John 8:34



Freedom.  
Everyone wants it.  
Everyone talks about it.

**F**or the greatest freedom is within the human heart.

Sadly, many people never achieve true freedom. For the greatest freedom is within the human heart. The freedom from sin, bad temper, selfishness, fear, and slavery to bad habits, wrong desires or even addictions to such things as alcohol, drugs and cigarettes.

**REAL FREEDOM IS NOT THE RIGHT TO DO WHATEVER WE FEEL LIKE DOING. IT IS THE POWER TO BE ABLE TO DO WHAT WE OUGHT TO DO. IT IS THE FREEDOM TO BE ABLE TO BECOME WHAT GOD PROMISES US WE CAN BECOME.**

People who follow desires and activities that are against God's will, soon find that they have lost their true inner freedom. Sinful habits and activities have caught them and they are not free to receive what God wants to give them. They are not free to become what God would make them.

Selfishness, lust or pride or such things as alcohol, sex or drugs may overcome them. They become their slaves. **They have lost their freedom.** Their attitude and outlook on life is made negative because rather than having true inner freedom, sin has gained control over their heart. Their thinking, emotions and expectations become affected. Even their own view of themselves eventually suffers.



For by whatever a person is overcome, by this he is enslaved.

II Peter 2:19

