

<sup>31</sup> Jesus said to the people who believed in him, “You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings. <sup>32</sup> And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” <sup>33</sup> “But we are descendants of Abraham,” they said. “We have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean, ‘You will be set free’?” <sup>34</sup> Jesus replied, “I tell you the truth, everyone who sins is a slave of sin. <sup>35</sup> A slave is not a permanent member of the family, but a son is part of the family forever. <sup>36</sup> So if the Son sets you free, you are truly free. - John 8:31-36 (NLT)

**Main Point:** True \_\_\_\_\_ is found only in the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ.

**Point #1:** \_\_\_\_\_ replaces lies – and \_\_\_\_\_ follows.

<sup>18</sup> For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. - 1 Corinthians 1:18 (NIV)

“Whatever gets your mind gets you.” - Rick Warren

<sup>3</sup> We are human, but we don’t wage war as humans do. <sup>4</sup> We use God’s mighty weapons, not worldly weapons, to knock down the strongholds of human reasoning and to destroy false arguments. <sup>5</sup> We destroy every proud obstacle that keeps people from knowing God. We capture their rebellious thoughts and teach them to obey Christ. - 2 Corinthians 10:3-5 (NLT)

Battle Strategies:

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_ the right way.
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_ the rebellious thoughts.
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_ your gut is sinful.

*Friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world.*  
- 1 John 4:1 (NIV)

*It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.* - Galatians 5:1 (NIV)

**Point #2:** Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_ replaces counterfeit power — and fear loses its grip.

*<sup>16</sup> Don't you realize that you become the slave of whatever you choose to obey? You can be a slave to sin, which leads to death, or you can choose to obey God, which leads to righteous living. <sup>17</sup> Thank God! Once you were slaves of sin, but now you wholeheartedly obey this teaching we have given you. <sup>18</sup> Now you are free from your slavery to sin, and you have become slaves to righteous living.*

- Romans 6:16-18 (NLT)

*"Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom."*

- Luke 12:32 (KJV)

**Point #3:** Allegiance to \_\_\_\_\_ replaces idols – and \_\_\_\_\_ fall.

*"No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money."*

- Matthew 6:24 (NIV)

### **Deliver Us**

Our enemy, our captor is no pharaoh on the Nile  
Our toil is neither mud nor brick nor sand  
Our ankles bear no calluses  
From chains, yet Lord, we're bound  
Imprisoned here, we dwell in our own land  
[Refrain] Deliver us, deliver us O Yahweh, hear our cry  
And gather us beneath your wings tonight

Our sins they are more numerous than all the lambs we slay  
Our shackles they were made with our own hands  
Our toil is our atonement and our freedom yours to give  
So, Yahweh, break this silence if you can [Refrain]

Jerusalem, Jerusalem How often I have longed  
To gather you beneath my gentle wings

Songwriter: Andrew Peterson