The Foundation of Our Freedom

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Galatians 5:11, Revelations 12:11, 1 Corinthians 6:20, Romans 8:32, 1 Corinthians 1:18-25, 1 Corinthians 2:4-5, Isaiah 53:4-12

Galatians 5:1

Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage.

Revelation 12:11

"And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.

For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's.

We need to start focusing on Jesus and what He did instead of ourselves

The cross is the source of all freedoms we desire

Romans 8:32

He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?

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.

For it is written: "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, And bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent."

Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?

For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God, it pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe.

For Jews request a sign, and Greeks seek after wisdom;

but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness,

but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men. Without the cross we do not have any power but with the cross we have all the power of God and the wisdom of God.

Three keys that will help us walk in the freedom

1. The power of God is manifested through the message of the cross

And my speech and my preaching were not with persuasive words of human wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power,

that your faith should not be in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

2. God has chosen to save those who believe the message of the cross

The power of the enemy is not greater than the power of the Cross

3. The message of Christ crucified is both the power of God and wisdom of God

The thing that keeps you from the power and wisdom of God is the little philosopher in you

Alas, sinful nation, A people laden with iniquity, A brood of evildoers, Children who are corrupters! They have forsaken the LORD, They have provoked to anger The Holy One of Israel, They have turned away backward.

Why should you be stricken again? You will revolt more and more. The whole head is sick, And the whole heart faints.

<u>Isaiah 53:6</u>

From the sole of the foot even to the head, There is no soundness in it, But wounds and bruises and putrefying sores; They have not been closed or bound up, Or soothed with ointment.

From the sole of the foot even to the head, There is no soundness in it, But wounds and bruises and Your country is desolate, Your cities are burned with fire; Strangers devour your land in your presence; And it is desolate, as overthrown by strangers.sores; They have not been closed or bound up, Or soothed with ointment.

So the daughter of Zion is left as a booth in a vineyard, As a hut in a garden of cucumbers, As a besieged city.

Unless the LORD of hosts Had left to us a very small remnant, We would have become like Sodom, We would have been made like Gomorrah.

Hear the word of the LORD, You rulers of Sodom; Give ear to the law of our God, You people of Gomorrah:

"To what purpose is the multitude of your sacrifices to Me?" Says the LORD. "I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams And the fat of fed cattle. I do not delight in the blood of bulls, Or of lambs or goats.

"When you come to appear before Me, Who has required this from your hand, To trample My courts?

Christ died for us and them imputed His benefits to anyone that would believe.