

SLIDE ABSOLUTE FREEDOM IN SPIRIT

Romans 7:6 Berean Study Bible **SLIDE**

*... Having died to what [once] bound us, **we have been released** ... so that we serve [God] in the new way of the Spirit ...*

FREE FROM THE PENALTY OF SIN

We are 100% Free from sin.

That meant so much to me when I heard it.

As Believers, we have been **RELEASED** from the penalty of sin. We will never again be Judged For Sin - John 5:24

WHY?

BECAUSE JESUS TOOK ALL OUR JUDGEMENT FOR US
ON THE CROSS

- Whether that be past sins ... present sins or future sins ...
- Isaiah 53.6 ... *And the Lord has laid upon Him the iniquity (sin) of us all.*

AMAZING ... THAT WE ARE TOTALLY FREE ... AWEING ...

Do you understand what that means?

We are completely Free from any Penalty for sin. **SLIDE**

Look at that fellow ...

He found out He's Free from Sin

And he just took hold of that door

And broke free with it ...

Psalm 124:7 NLT

*We escaped like a bird from a hunter's trap. The trap is broken and **we are free!***

**WE DON'T NEED TO STAY IN THE OLD SHACKLES OF SIN
ANY MORE ...**

WE ARE TOTALLY FREE –

- **SPIRITUALLY FREE ...**

AND WE CAN BE ... EMOTIONALLY FREE FROM SIN ...

- **AND PSYCHOLOGICALLY FREE FROM SIN AS WELL ... 2**

IN JESUS

You are free from all the whispers of Satan that tell you

- you've done such a bad job ...
- you don't measure up ...
- you're not good enough for God ...

You may not have an issue with these things ...

But this has been a major struggle for me,

Having been brought up TO NOT SIN –

There was the continual underlying thought of –

'You should DO that ...' OR –

'You haven't done That ...' OR –

'You should have done that better ...'

*But Hallelujah!! I'm seeing what it means to be **FREE FROM THE PENALTY OF SIN***

*Which makes me – **FREE FROM GUILT** ... Hallelujah!*

*GOD DOESN'T BLAME OF SEE GUILT FOR THOSE IN CHRIST...
IN JESUS WE ARE **FREE FROM SIN***

*But **FREE FROM SIN** also means –*

*I am **Free from the Fear of Sinning** – The Fear of getting it wrong ...*

This Fear of Sinning has, for me, been a huge problem ...

An enormous weight of stress and strain on my mind –

that has interfered with everything else,

and weighed down my Whole Life ...

It's hung over me like a Great Ogre ...

threatening to 'get me' should I put a toe out of line ...

THANK GOD HE ISN'T LIKE THAT ...

HE'S A GOD OF NOT ONLY JUSTICE BUT ALSO LOVE –

WHO SENT HIS ONLY SON –

TO TAKE ALL THE PENALTY FOR MY SIN.

Illustration:

In times past many of us were given the impression

that God is an exacting God ...

who is quick to anger ... and slow to mercy

*And because of this **SLIDE***

- many of us have suffered much guilt and condemnation 3

- and many – lots of my friends – have left the faith ...

We can be so intense ...
struggling against our failures and weaknesses ...
trying to measure up to the Standard ...
that our physical and emotional health suffers ...

Some are so doggedly persistent in their intensity
that they can grow sick and even die ...

THEY DON'T KNOW THEY ARE ALREADY COMPLETELY FORGIVEN

THEY DON'T KNOW THEY ARE ALREADY RELEASED FROM ALL THE PENALTY OF SIN.

IF ONLY THEY KNEW ...

**BUT ONCE WE ARE SAVE ...
WE HAVE BEEN TOTALLY RELEASED FROM SIN.**

It was never God's intention to bind people up
with rules and legalism
like many have suffered under ...

**BUT EVEN IF WE DO FALL BACK INTO SIN,
JESUS HAS ALREADY PAID THE FULL PENALTY FOR IT –
ON THE CROSS**

And BECAUSE of that –
GOD DOESN'T SEE SIN ANY MORE –

SIN IS NO LONGER AN ISSUE WITH GOD SLIDE

HE HAS DEALT WITH IT ONCE AND FOR ALL TIME

AND BECAUSE OF THAT –

SIN SHOULD NO LONGER BE AN ISSUE WITH US

**WE DON'T NEED TO FEAR IT ANYMORE!
WE HAVE BEEN **COMLETELY RELEASED** –
FROM THE SIN THAT BOUND US!**

WE CAN NOW LIVE A NEW WAY

Romans 7:6 Berean Study Bible **SLIDE** (again)
... *Having died to what [once] bound us, we have been*

RELEASED ... so that we serve [God] in THE NEW WAY of the Spirit
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THERE IS A NOW **A WHOLE NEW LIFE** FOR US IN CHRIST JESUS!

WE HAVE BEEN RELEASED INTO A NEW LIFE ... A FREE LIFE ...

WE HAVE BEEN RELEASED INTO PEACE, LOVE & JOY!

WE HAVE BEEN **RELEASED** FROM THE PENALTY OF SIN

TO LIVE IN THE NEW WAY OF THE SPIRIT.

A NEW SIN-FREE SPIRIT SLIDE

When you believed ... God placed inside you a New Pure Spirit –

Ezekiel 36:26-27 NLT **SLIDE**

*... I will give you a new heart and I will put **A NEW SPIRIT** in you. I will take out your stony, stubborn heart and give you a tender, responsive heart. ²⁷ And I will put my Spirit in you so that you will follow my decrees and be careful to obey my regulations.*

God has promised to do these things for believers ...

HE SAID ... WHEN WE BELIEVE ... HE WILL GIVE US **A NEW SPIRIT**

Ephesians 2:2 tells us that –

Once we were dead in trespasses and sins

BUT NOW IN CHRIST JESUS WE HAVE A NEW PURE SPIRIT

WE ARE MADE SPIRITUALLY ALIVE IN CHRIST JESUS ...

DID YOU KNOW YOU HAD A NEW PURE SPIRIT?

**YOUR NEW SPIRIT IS MADE ALIVE WITH THE LIFE OF GOD
PLACED INSIDE YOU ...**

**WE HAVE GOD'S LIFE LIVING INSIDE US ...
THE VERY LIFE OF GOD HIMSELF!**

- HIS PURE LIFE
- HIS SPOTLESS LIFE
- HIS PERFECT LIFE

AND DO YOU KNOW WHAT THAT MEANS?

Your NEW SPIRIT **CAN NEVER SIN!**

YOUR NEW SPIRIT IS AS **RIGHTEOUS AS GOD**

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- AS **PERFECT AS GOD**
- AND AS **HOLY AS HE IS ...**

THIS NEW SPIRIT WE HAVE IN US –

IS AND ALWAYS HAS BEEN SINLESS –

SINLESS WITH GOD'S PERFECT, PURE LIFE IN US ...

'WAIT A MINUTE!' you say ... 'That's huge!

Yes! But that's what the Bible says –

DO YOU WANT TO SEE THE SCRIPTURES FOR THAT??? ...

1 John 3:9 NKJV **SLIDE**

*Whoever has been born of God **does not sin**, for His seed remains in him; and **he cannot sin**, because he has been **born of God**.*

We are God's children ... NOT JUST ADOPTED CHILDREN ...
but actual **SONS OF GOD** –

You know what Jesus said to Nicodemus –

John 3:6 NASB

*That which has been born of the flesh is flesh (human ... mortal)
[but] **that which has been born of the Spirit IS SPIRIT**.*

We have been BORN OF THE SPIRIT ...

There is now A PART OF YOU THAT IS **SPIRIT** –

just as our Father is Spirit.

This part of us is **THE NEW SPIRIT** GOD HAS PLACES WITHIN US
AT SALVATION –

Look at this verse again –

1 John 3:9 NKJV **SLIDE**

*Whoever has been born of God **does not sin**, for **HIS SEED**
REMAINS IN HIM; and **he cannot sin**, because he has been born
of God.*

GOD'S SEED REMAINS IN US –

SLIDE WE HAVE GOD'S LIFE LIVING IN US

GOD GAVE LIFE TO OUR NEW SPIRIT

BY PLACING HIS LIFE IN US

Let me say that again –

AS THE SCRIPTURE SAYS -
GOD'S SEED REMAINS IN US **SLIDE**

WE HAVE GOD'S LIFE LIVING IN US.

SLIDE It is THE NEW LIFE OF OUR NEW SPIRIT –
GOD'S LIFE IS ALIVE IN OUR NEW SPIRIT

Let's me show you that verse about our NEW SPIRIT again, 6
I know there are those of you who may not be familiar with it–

Ezekiel 36:26 NLT **SLIDE**

... *I will give you a new heart and I will put A NEW SPIRIT in you*
...

OUR NEW SPIRIT IS ALIVE WITH GOD'S LIFE LIVING IN US

AND THIS IS HOW YOUR NEW SPIRIT CAN BE

- AS **RIGHTEOUS AS GOD**
- AS **PERFECT AS GOD**
- AND AS **HOLY AS HE IS ...**

BECAUSE GOD'S LIFE IS IN OUR NEW SPIRIT
AND HE IS RIGHTEOUS, PERFECT & HOLY

*Yesterday, preparing this message,
There was still something that wasn't quite falling into place for me.*

*Pastor Chris teaches us continually
that we need to live out of our New Spirit –
Because that's the part of us that's perfect ... that cannot sin ...
But I haven't fully understood it ...*

*So I set out on the Journey of this Message ...
so I could grasp what it means to Live Out Of Our New Spirit.*

I felt like I nearly understood it ... but not quite ...

And then yesterday, LIKE A LIGHTBULB IN THE DARK it came to me –

WE HAVE GOD'S LIFE LIVING IN US

OUR SPIRIT'S ARE MADE NEW
BY GOD'S LIFE LIVING IN US

AND AS WE LIVE FROM GOD'S LIFE ALIVE IN US

WE CAN LIVE –

SLIDE FREE FROM THE POWER OF SIN **IN OUR EVERYDAY LIVES**

We have established the fact

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That we are Free from the Penalty of Sin ...
We are completely Forgiven,
And have GOD'S LIFE ALIVE IN US

But we still have our Flesh till Jesus returns ...

- and there's sin in the world-atmosphere around us that would influence us back to lusts
- and Satan's whispers in our ears ... coaxing us into sin – wanting to entice our flesh away
- and our fleshly bodies are weak ...

What is it that has been a bug-bear to you?

What have you struggled with and not been able to seem to break-free from ...?

As Christians we can still struggle with the weakness of our flesh
Tugging at us ... towards sin again ...

There are many bondages that hold people captive to sin ...
Bitterness ... Bad Habits ... Wrong passions ... selfish cravings and desires ...

And they breed fear and worries and often illness ... because of the guilt they bring ... that no man can avoid ...

When we were IN THE FLESH ... these things ruled us ...
And we had no ability to break free ...

BUT AS BELIEVERS,

WE CAN KNOW WE ARE RELEASED FROM THE POWER OF SIN

GOD'S PURE LIFE IS ALIVE IN OUR NEW SPIRIT
AND THE LIFE OF GOD IN US CAN NEVER SIN

WE CAN REMAIN FREE FROM THE POWER OF SIN
ALL AROUND US

BY LIVING IN OUR NEW SPIRIT

WE CAN WALK IN WHO WE ARE SPIRITUALLY –

- IN OUR NEW SPIRIT –

- FREE IN THE SPIRIT ...
- FREE FROM SIN ...

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WHEN WE SEE WE HAVE BEEN
RELEASED FROM ALL SIN –
NOT JUST PAST SIN AND ITS PENALTY ...
BUT FROM THE POWER OF SIN IN OUR LIVES AS WELL

WE CAN BEGIN TO LIVE FREE FROM THE POWER OF SIN

YOU DON'T HAVE TO LIVE LIKE YOU'VE BEEN LIVING ANY MORE
FALLING INTO OLD ATTITUDES AND BEHAVIOURS ...

YOU CAN NOW LIVE A BETTER LIFE ...

A HAPPIER LIFE ...

A RICHER LIFE ...

A MORE EXCITING LIFE ...

YOU CAN START TO LIVE A LIFE THAT'S
FREE OF THE POWER OF SIN

SO WHAT DOES THAT LOOK LIKE?

HOW DO I LIVE MY LIFE NOW?

WE CAN NOW LIVE EACH DAY –
IN THE NEW WAY OF THE SPIRIT

Romans 7:6 Berean Study Bible **SLIDE**

... [We have] died to what [once] bound us, we have been released
*... so that we serve [God] **IN THE NEW WAY OF THE SPIRIT***

THE BORN AGAIN BELIEVER
WHO KNOWS THAT THEY ARE FREE FROM SIN
CAN NOW LIVE EACH DAY ***IN THE NEW WAY OF THE SPIRIT.***

THIS MEANS

- THEY START THEIR DAY **FROM A SINLESS**
STANDPOINT.

WE DO NOT START BY TRYING TO AVOID SIN

- WE DO NOT START BY FOCUSING ON THE PITFALLS
- WE DO NOT START BY TRYING TO ACHIEVE PERFECTION

WE SIMPLY START EACH DAY BY KNOWING WHO WE ARE –

WE ARE **ALREADY PERFECT IN OUR NEW SPIRIT** – 9
AND WE REJOICE THAT THERE IS **NOTHING MORE** TO ACHIEVE
- **SPIRITUALLY.**

JESUS HAS DONE IT ALL FOR US ...
WE REST IN HIS FINISHED WORK FOR US ...

WE START OUR DAY BY **FOCUSING ON** **SLIDE**
THE NEW GRACE RIGHTEOUSNESS THAT IS **OURS** ...
RIGHTEOUSNESS THAT IS **IN US** BECAUSE OF
GOD'S LIFE IN US ...
RIGHTEOUSNESS THAT IS OURS **BY GRACE ALONE** –
IT'S NOTHING WE COULD EVER ACHIEVE ...

WE **FOCUS ON THIS RIGHTEOUSNESS** –
NOT THE PITFALLS OF THE FLESH ...

AND WE ARE NO LONGER SIN-CONSCIOUS ...
BUT **RIGHTEOUSNESS CONSCIOUS.**
NO LONGER FEARING FAILURE ...
BUT **GIVING THANKS, FOR GOD'S RIGHTEOUSNESS IN US,**
ALREADY.

THIS IS A COMPLETELY NEW MINDSET ...
A NEW CONCEPT ...

YOU COULD SAY WE START AT THE FINISH –
Because Jesus has finished ALL the Work for us ...

WE START AT THE FINISH –
AND **EVERYTHING WE DO FROM HERE IS OUR VICTORY LAP.**

WE START EACH DAY IN VICTORY ... IN HIS GLORY ...
AND IT JUST GETS BETTER & BETTER

*Even as I prepared this message ... studying into it ...
I have been able to see my attitudes changing –
From guilt ... and annoyance at the source of the guilt ...
To the Freedom of Joy and Praise to God ...*

HALLELUJAH!
WE CAN LIVE A WHOLE NEW LIFE **FREE FROM SIN**

*'But,' you say, 'I can get things so wrong ...
Can it really be that easy?'*

Yes it can ... I have experienced it ...
Look ... Here's more that God has done for us –

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OUR NEW SPIRIT IS ALIVE WITH GOD'S SPIRIT

But it's also –

SLIDE AN INCORRUPTIBLE SPIRIT

NOT ONLY IS OUR NEW SPIRIT SINLESS –
But OUR NEW SPIRIT IS INCORRUPTIBLE

Which means –

OUR NEW SPIRIT CAN NEVER BE CORRUPTED
OUR NEW SPIRIT CAN NEVER SIN OR FAIL

1 Peter 1:23 NKJV **SLIDE**

(We have) been born again, not of corruptible seed but [of] incorruptible [seed], through the word of God which lives and abides forever.

This 'seed' that 'remains in us' (1 John 3:9)
is **THE LIFE OF GOD IN US ...**

And HIS **LIFE CANNOT BE INFECTED BY SIN**

- **OR AFFECTED BY SIN**
- **OR BY US FALLING BACK INTO SIN**

Nothing our bodies do on the **OUTSIDE ...**

can affect the **THE LIFE OF GOD** hidden in our New Spirit
ON THE INSIDE ...

IF YOU SIN NOW, IT IS NOT YOUR **NEW SPIRIT THAT SINS ...**
IT IS YOUR FLESH THAT SINS ... with its failures and weakness

BUT YOUR FLESH MAKES NO DIFFERENCE TO **YOUR NEW SPIRIT**

YOUR **NEW SPIRIT STAYS PURE.**

IT REMAINS PERFECT

IN THE LIFE OF GOD INSIDE YOU

MANY BELIEVERS DO NOT KNOW THIS TRUTH –
THEY SPEND MUCH OF THEIR EFFORTS & ENERGIES
TRYING TO NOT SIN ...

- *it occupies their time ...*

- *it becomes their focus*
- *it can becomes their life-quest to be free from sin*

THEY WASTE TIME when we can NEVER BECOME PERFECT

By our own struggling ...

It's only futile effort.

Boy! Don't I know it .. That has so been me ...

*My whole mind has been continually, frantically panicking
about sin ...*

*The fear of sin has been my subconscious pre-occupation ...
and a great weight to carry ...*

But the reason we fail ... is that we're relying on our own effort,
WHEN WE ARE ALREADY FREE FROM ALL SIN IN JESUS ...

**GOD WANTS US TO REST IN JESUS FINISHED WORK FOR US
AND HIS RIGHTEOUS LIFE ALIVE IN US ...**

**AND STOP TRYING TO DO THINGS IN OUR OWN STRENGTH ...
WHICH ONLY FAILS ...**

**WE CAN STOP ALL THE FIGHTING AND STRUGGLE
AGAINST OUR FLESH ...**

BECAUSE ...

THERE IS NO MORE BATTLE WITH SIN

SIN HAS ALREADY BEEN DEALT WITH

SLIDE WE DON'T NEED TO BATTLE SIN ANY MORE –

AS THOUGH GOD HADN'T ALREADY DEALT WITH IT FOR US ...

AS WE SAID EARLIER –

**SIN IS NO LONGER AN ISSUE WITH GOD
AND SIN SHOULD NO LONGER BE AN ISSUE WITH US**

- WHEN YOU KNOW THESE TRUTHS ...
- WHEN YOU COMPREHEND THESE THINGS ...
- WHEN YOU BELIEVE THIS ...

**YOU NO LONGER BATTLE WITH SIN ...
YOU CAN REST IN HIM
AND LIVE TRULY FREE!**

WE ARE A NEW SPIRIT MAN

AND WE CAN CHOOSE TO LIVE IN OUR NEW SPIRIT MAN 12
TO LIVE OUT OF GOD'S LIFE IN US ...

- IT'S IN US ALREADY
- WE CAN MAKE THAT CHOICE TO LIVE THERE.

Romans 6:11 NIV **SLIDE**

... *Count yourselves as dead to sin but ALIVE to God [WITH GOD'S OWN LIFE IN YOU] in Christ Jesus.*

THREE THINGS WE ENJOY WHEN LIVING IN THE SPIRIT

1. WE ARE ENABLED TO ENJOY
2. WE ENJOY FELLOWSHIP WITH GOD
3. WE ENJOY SERVING HIM

1. PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN THEIR NEW SPIRIT –
ARE ENABLED TO ENJOY HIS GRACE. SLIDE

They are free from guilt ...

Free to laugh ...

Free to rejoice ...

And Free to Praise Him ...

Believers who get this ... enjoy life far more than anyone else ...
Joy springs up from within them ...

Isaiah 12:3 NIV

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

They see the beauty of God's creation ... all around them ...

They taste His food with more relish and appreciation ...

And they have PEACE within themselves ...

2. PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN THEIR NEW SPIRIT –
ENJOY FELLOWSHIP WITH GOD OUR FATHER ... SLIDE
WITHOUT FEAR OF REBUKE ...

When we live under the Fear of sin ... it prohibits Fellowship with
the Father.

We are so in horror of our sins ...

And in such trepidation at the Father's punishment ...

It's impossible to enjoy Fellowship with Him.

But in all truth, we can come in ... just as we are ... because He sees The Person We Really Are –
His precious son or daughter ... without sin.

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And even if we come in with the mud of the world stuck to our boots ...

He does not rebuke us ...

or yell at us to leave our boots at the door ...

He lovingly wipes the mud away ...

- We are 'Washed with the water of His Word'

- (Ephesians 5:26)

We are tenderly restored ...

And Who We Really Are radiates in his presence ...

3. PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN THEIR NEW SPIRIT – ENJOY SERVING HIM SLIDE

Romans 7:6 Berean Study Bible **SLIDE**

*... Having died to what [once] bound us, we have been released ...
so that WE SERVE [God] IN THE NEW WAY OF THE SPIRIT ...*

**BECAUSE I AM RELEASED FROM SIN
& FROM THE FEAR OF SIN,**

I AM FREE TO NOW SERVE GOD IN A NEW WAY ... **SLIDE**

IN THE NEW WAY OF THE SPIRIT ...

IN JOY & DELIGHT IN HIM ...

Psalm 40:8 –

I delight to do Thy will, O my God ...

NO LONGER IS IT HARD SLOG TO WORK FOR GOD

IT'S NOT GRUELLING EFFORT AND DRUGGERY ...

AS IT USED TO BE WHEN WE SLAVED IN THE FLESH ...

SO MANY PEOPLE TRY TO SERVE GOD BY BEING RELIGIOUS

They think it's up to them to please God

They think that by their efforts, they could please God ...

They strive and struggle and stress ... all the while knowing that they fail at it ...

BUT WE WHO KNOW WE ARE RELEASED FROM SIN,

SERVE OUR FATHER GOD FROM HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS

WITHIN US

WE SERVE OUR FATHER GOD IN GLADNESS ...

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NOT TO GAIN ANYTHING ...

BUT BECAUSE WE ALREADY HAVE BEEN GIVEN EVERYTHING

WE SERVE FROM OUR NEW CREATION SPIRIT ...

Romans 1:9-10 ESV

*For God is my witness, whom **I serve WITH MY SPIRIT** in the gospel of His Son ...*

**IT'S A GLORIOUS THING TO WILLINGLY SERVE GOD
TO YIELD TO HIM AS A BOND SERVANT ...
A LOVE-SLAVE FOR JESUS**

Paul knew that Love –

Romans 1:1 NKJV

*Paul, **a bond servant of Jesus Christ**, called to be an apostle, separated to the gospel of God.*

Today ... I want to encourage you ... to-
LIVE IN & FROM YOUR NEW SPIRIT

**THERE IS SO MUCH TO DISCOVER ABOUT
LIVING IN OUR NEW SPIRIT**

SO MUCH JOY TO EXPERIENCE

IN FELLOWSHIP WITH THE FATHER

IN SERVING HIM

**God will give you the Grace to walk out of your New Spirit
His Spirit will direct your New Spirit.**

Let your New Spirit direct your thoughts and feelings ...

Let it order your lifestyle ... where you go ... what you do ...