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There was a time when I was as free as a bird, living each day for Christ our Lord.

We were free—truly free—because *the truth of God shall set us free* (John 8:32). The Apostle Paul, though imprisoned in chains, boldly declared his freedom in Christ:

***"For though I am free from all men, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win the more."* — 1 Corinthians 9:19**

Very few people truly understand what Paul meant. He endured captivity, yet because of his deep relationship with Christ, he was free in spirit.

In life, we can become prisoners in many ways—not just behind bars. Unforgiveness can shackle the heart, weighing it down with bitterness (*Ephesians 4:31-32*). Addiction—whether to drugs, alcohol, or any destructive behavior—can enslave a person, making them a slave to sin (*Romans 6:16*). Even fear and anxiety can bind us, keeping us from walking in faith (*2 Timothy 1:7*).

I was an inmate at Kingman State Prison for almost 2 years, yet despite the walls and fences, we, as the Body of Christ, were free. The Spirit of God filled us, and the joy of the Lord was our strength (*Nehemiah 8:10*). Ironically, many of the prison guards—though they held the keys—were the ones truly bound. They carried the weight of misery, while we rejoiced in the presence of God.

Don't get me wrong—prison was not easy. There were days of struggle and hardship. But all we had to do was place our faith and hope in Christ, and we were set free.

Can you imagine it? Set free while still being in prison!

This is yet another example of faith—"the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen" (*Hebrews 11:1*). Though we do not see Abba Father, the Holy Spirit, or Christ Yeshua in the flesh, we see the evidence of their handiwork all around us.

***"So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."* — John 8:36**

Amen. John 14:27



ISAIAH 40:31 But those who wait on the Lord Shall renew their strength;
They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary,
They shall walk and not faint...Amen