## Playlist 3

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Church shouldn't be the place where you anticipate being shamed. The church exists to help all people realize that god loves them unconditionally, so that they can experience god in everyday life. God wants you Free, but how do you experience that freedom?

<u>Luke 4:18 (NKJV/KJV)</u> – <sup>18</sup> "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, Because He has anointed Me To preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives And recovery of sight to the blind, To set free those who are bruised or oppressed;

Until a broken-heart is healed, you will remain bound and seek ways to medicate your pain. Almost all addictive and destructive behavior is attached to an inward brokenness that Jesus desires to heal. This is like a bruise. It's an injury below the surface that manifests on the outside, and, like a bruise, it must heal from the inside out.

<u>John 8:31 (NKJV)</u> – 31 Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. 32 And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

The Word you abide in, know, and act upon is what makes you free. How do I abide in His Word? Come to church regularly, get in a small group, read God's Word, and start serving somewhere. How do I experience freedom?

<u>Galatians 4:6-7 (MSG)</u> – <sup>6</sup> You can tell for sure that you are now fully adopted as his own children because God sent the Spirit of his Son into our lives crying out, "Papa! Father!" <sup>7</sup> Doesn't that privilege of intimate conversation with God make it plain that you are not a slave, but a child? And if you are a child, you're also an heir, with complete access to the inheritance.

Freedom is your inheritance.

<u>John 8:36 (NKJV)</u> – 36 Therefore if the Son makes you free-born, you shall be free indeed.

Jesus makes you free. You don't free yourself. God wants you to experience His freedom and to release you to lead others to Him.