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LET THEM GO

SCRIPTURAL REFERENCE

John 18:3-11

ADDITIONAL STUDY

Mark 11:20-23, Galatians 5:1,
& Hebrews 10:1-14.

PRAYER POINTS

- + Ask for grace not to be consumed by your needs, but to look out for others and be willing to supply them with your sufficiency where they are deficient.
- + Pray that you will be a Barnabas to those you encounter daily; and you will meet people that would also be channels of encouragement to you.

Then He asked them again, "Whom are you seeking?" And they said, "Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus answered, "I have told you that I am He. Therefore, if you seek Me, let these go their way," - **John 18:7&8**

"Let them go their way." By these words, Jesus became the ultimate substitute and sacrifice for the sin of mankind. He was going to die, so that we would live, His incarceration meant our freedom and His punishment meant our peace and healing.

As was usually done with animal sacrifices in the Old Testament for the atonement of sin, the priest would lay his hands on the animal and confess the sins of the people upon it, and then God's judgement that should have come on the people, would come instead on the animal. Thus letting the people go because a substitute was found that became their ransom. Likewise, Jesus became our 'ransom' and freed us from God's judgement.

By this statement, Jesus forever commanded Satan to let us go by allowing Himself to come under his evil power for a time. Also, when He said that, sickness heard it, failure heard it, frustration heard it, poverty heard it, and every other evil that came upon mankind as a result of the fall of Adam. They all heard it and they had no choice but to release us from their grip. We are therefore free because Jesus set us free; for whom the Son sets free is free INDEED! ([John 8:36](#)).

Seeing that you have a blood bought right to walk and live freely in the earth, what are you doing about the evil which comes to encroach on your rights every now and then and tries to keep you permanently in the prison of sickness, disease, poverty, depression, stagnation, fruitlessness, bondage to sin, and other such evils? Will you fold your hands and just remain in bondage, or will you rise up in protest to protect what God has already given you?

Definitely, you won't prefer bondage over freedom; just like you won't prefer death over life. So, resist Satan's plans in your life by using the Word of God to counter his attacks against you, especially the ones against your mind. Also, speak boldly continually with faith in your heart to level the mountains of wickedness he has set to hem you in. Remember, you come against him from a standpoint of victory; freedom is already yours. You are not fighting to gain freedom; you are only fighting to maintain the freedom Jesus died to give you.

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