

## ***Freedom, Sweet Freedom (Romans 8:1-11)***

Introduction: *“Greetings from a Free Rabbinovitch”*

- I. I AM NOT FREE, I AM A SLAVE TO SIN
  - A. I am caught in my sinful nature (Romans 7:14-24)
  - B. I am ‘fleshly’ not spiritually minded (Rom. 8:5-6)
  - C. I am an enemy toward God (Rom. 8:7)
  - D. I cannot please Him (Rom. 8:8)
  
- II. I CANNOT SET MYSELF FREE
  - A. Guilt is a constant companion as I am ‘at war’ with God & myself (Rom. 7:15-19)
  - B. Trying to keep God’s Law cannot save me (Rom. 8:7)
  - C. The ‘law’ of man’s achievements is a law of death (Proverbs 14:12)
  - D. In such a condition, I am a lost and condemned soul (Rom. 7:24)
  
- III. I AM SET FREE IN CHRIST
  - A. Freed from God’s condemnation (Rom. 7:24-25; 8:1)
  - B. Freed from the law of sin and death (Rom. 8:1-2)
  - C. Christ achieved this freedom for me by means of His sinless life (Rom. 8:3)
  - D. Christ achieved this freedom for me by means of His death & resurrection (Rom. 8:3-4)
  
- IV. I AM SET FREE TO REALLY LIVE!
  - A. The mind set on the Spirit has life and peace (Rom. 8:11)
  - B. Christ is in me, that I might be a true child of God (Rom. 8:14-16)
  - C. Real life and living begins with freedom in Christ (John 10:10)
  - D. We now fill our minds with what God desires and live in freedom (Rom.8:5)

Conclusion: *“Houdini & the door he could not open”*