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Introduction: *The closest I ever came to being arrested...*

- I. ARE YOU UNDER ARREST?
 - A. Arrest: *"Ceasing to grow... the act of stopping or slowing"*
 - B. Some people are emotionally arrested
 - C. Some people are socially arrested

- II. BEING SPIRITUALLY ARRESTED IS A COMMON REALITY
 - A. Far too many Christians have chosen to *cease to grow* spiritually
 - B. In our Hebrews 5 text, we meet a congregation like this (Heb. 5:11-13)
 - C. The effects of spiritual arrest can be seen in the North American Church today

- III. LET'S LOOK AT TWO CASES OF SPIRITUAL ARREST
 - A. The Pharisee named Nicodemus, "arrested" by legalism (John 3:1-7)
 - B. Us today... how are we like the congregation in Hebrews 5 or like Nicodemus?

- IV. THERE IS GOOD NEWS FOR THOSE ARRESTED
 - A. **Jesus** has... will... wants to set us free!
 - B. Note these glorious passages: Romans 6:18; 6:22; Romans 8:2; Galatians 5:5
 - C. Today, God delivers this freedom in the preaching, teaching, studying of His Word
 - D. This morning I have two "freedom" gifts for you [a **P.O.P.** & a **B.R.P** 😊, wait & see]

Conclusion: *Cast off your chains, burst through prison doors... no longer "under arrest"!!*