

## Liberty

**The counterpoint to authority is liberty.** The primary word translated liberty is ελευθερια (also free and delivered):

- Matthew 17:26 “Then the sons are *free*.”
- John 8:32, 33, 36 And you shall know the truth and the truth shall make you *free*.
- Romans 6:18, 20, 22 Having been set *free* from sin, ... slaves of righteousness
- Romans 7:33 If her husband dies, she is *free* from that law
- Romans 8:2 ...set me *free* from the law of sin and death
- Romans 8:21 ...creation will be *delivered*...into the *liberty* of the children of God.
- 1 Corinthians 7:21 – 22 If you [slave] can be made *free*, rather use it
- 1 Corinthians 9:1 Am I not an apostle? Am I not *free*?
- 1 Corinthians 9:19 Though I am *free* from all men, I have made myself a servant
- 1 Corinthians 10:29 Why is my *liberty* judged by another’s conscience?
- 1 Corinthians 12:13, Galatians 3:28, Ephesians 6:8, Colossians 3:11, Revelation 6:15, 13:16, 19:18 ...whether slave or *free*
- 2 Corinthians 3:17 Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is *liberty*.
- Galatians 2:4 ...to spy out our *liberty* which we have in Christ
- Galatians 4:22, 23, 30 the child of the *freewoman*
- Galatians 4:26, 31 But the Jerusalem above is *free*
- Galatians 5:1 Stand fast in the *liberty* by which Christ has made us *free*.
- Galatians 5:13 You have been called to *liberty*, only do not use *liberty* as an opportunity for the flesh.
- James 1:25 The perfect law of *liberty*.
- James 2:12 ...those who will be judged by the law of *liberty*
- 1 Peter 2:16 ...as *free*, not using *liberty* as a cloak for vice
- 2 Peter 2:19 While they promise them *liberty*, they themselves are slaves

### Summary of liberty:

- Under the Law of Moses, individuals were granted authority (Matthew 23:3).
- Many passages contrast law and liberty.
- With liberty comes responsibility.