



Freedom to be Myself

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It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Galatians 5:1

Influences that shape who I am

How I'm made.

Who was in my life.

My life story.

How I think about me and how I think others think about me.

Jesus grew in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and all the people. Luke 2:52.

Suddenly the heavens were opened, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and resting on Him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased!" Matt 3:16-17

Matthew 4:

STONES INTO BREAD

POSESSIONS: I am what I HAVE.

JUMP OFF THE TEMPLE

PERFORMANCE: I am what I DO.

ADMIRATION

POPULARITY: I am what OTHERS THINK.

Consider this: The Father has given us his love. He loves us so much that we are actually called God's dear children. And that's what we are. 1 John 3:1

I am free from expectations (and free to say no).

I am free to be unfinished.

God is the one who began this good work in you, and I am certain that he won't stop before it is complete on the day that Christ Jesus returns. Philippians 1:6

I am free to be me.

I am free to be a servant to everyone.

Before the Passover celebration, Jesus knew that his hour had come to leave this world and return to his Father. He had loved his disciples during his ministry on earth, and now he loved them to the very end. It was time for supper, and the devil had already prompted Judas, son of Simon Iscariot, to betray Jesus.

Jesus knew that the Father had given him authority over everything and that he had come from God and would return to God. So he got up from the table, took off his robe, wrapped a towel around his waist, and poured water into a basin. Then he began to wash the disciples' feet, drying them with the towel he had around him. John 13:1-5

But God clearly shows and proves His own love for us, by the fact that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Romans 5:8

Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— John 1:12

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