

# The Abiding Word

Back To The Bible & Let The Bible Speak

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## WHEN AT HOME

While we are in Lockdown and Isolated from being with other Christians there is one of many blessings we can turn to and be encouraged and learn more of God's Word from. That is the Bible and Great Bible Lessons found online. Below is a LINK to one of many resources I have used to enhance my Bible Study and focus more on God's Word rather than the distractions of life. Let me encourage you to go to this YouTube Channel and begin listening and study one of the many topics.



<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCH7xt-U12cWCqYeB9597eQ/videos>

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My son, do not despise the LORD's discipline and do not resent his rebuke, because the LORD disciplines those he loves, as a father the son he delights in.

Proverbs 3:12



## PROVERB FOR THE DAY

One of the key methods I have learned over the years for dealing with the everyday challenges that living throws my way is to meditate on the Word of God each day as I walk with God.

I have found that reading the Proverb for the day in the morning and reflecting on that Proverb and seeing how I can put it to action in my life as I go through the day has become a great faith builder and strength when trials and conflicts come my way.

Each day has its own Proverb and in one month I have applied all 31 Proverbs ready to do it again the next month. It really works, try it.



Do not swerve to the right or the left;  
keep your foot from evil.  
Proverbs 4:27

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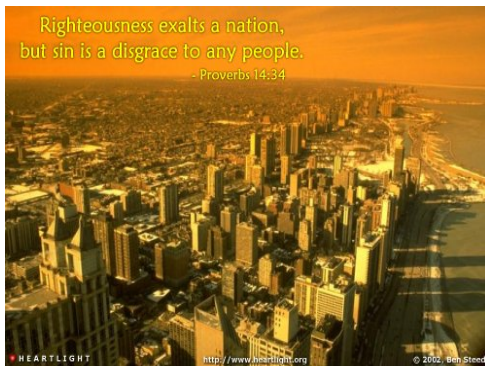
# Freedom!

This article has meaning for Americans, but especially for Christians anywhere because of the true meaning of Freedom.

On July 4<sup>th</sup> America will celebrate 244 years of Independence, our freedom. Our freedom as a country is very important. I wonder as Americans, how often do we reflect on our gift of freedom? Yes, freedom is a gift, a gift from God for as long as we live in His righteousness.



I thank God daily that I was born an American! America is to me the “Greatest Country” in the world. It is great because it is free. It is the country where peoples from many backgrounds have the same blessings shared no where else. Many do not believe in God. But, I believe we are blessed because many more people in America do believe and therefore God blesses America.



There is much about us that endangers our freedom. But perhaps the greatest threat is apathy and indifference to sin. This is a blindness that leads to destruction.

(Proverbs 14:34) Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a disgrace to any people. (NIV)

Jesus dealt with this same kind of condition when He spoke of what true freedom is and where it is. **Even as he spoke, many put their faith in him. To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." They answered him; "We are Abraham's descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say that we shall be set free?" Jesus replied, "I tell you the truth, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.** (John 8:30-36 NIV)

Our freedom as a country is only for a season, but eternal freedom that really counts is found in Jesus Christ. As Christians, we can insure freedom in our country first by making the people truly free and thereby abolishing the affects of sin upon our freedom as a country.

As a Christian reflecting upon our freedom we need to restore within us the desire to make men truly free. “So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.”

**“You can tell when you are on the right road – it’s upgrade.”**

## An Invitation!



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