



Uphold Me With Thy Free Spirit

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Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit. Psalm 51:12

Only where the Spirit of the Lord is in charge is there true Freedom, like it says in 2 Corinthians 3:17. This **Lord** is the **Spirit**. Wherever the **Lord's Spirit** is, there is freedom.

This can be true regardless of circumstances.

Look at Paul and Silas in the dungeon praising God regardless of their surroundings and circumstances.

And at midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them. And suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken: and immediately all the doors were opened, and every one's bands were loosed. And the keeper of the prison awaking out of his sleep, and seeing the prison doors open, he drew out his sword, and would have killed himself, supposing that the prisoners had been fled. But Paul cried with a loud voice, saying, Do thyself no harm: for we are all here. Then he called for a light, and sprang in, and came trembling, and fell down before Paul and Silas, And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved? Acts 16:25-30

Paul and Silas praised God in (not for) their horrible circumstances, which released heaven's Spirit to come and shake the prison, set all the prisoners free, and save the prison keeper with all his family.

The Angels of the Lord came and inhabited the Praises of His Servants. But thou art holy, O thou that inhabitest the praises of Israel. Psalm 22:3

More than once have I myself and my family faced circumstances that seemed impossible to overcome, but time after time have we seen the hand of God deliver us, when we absolutely had no way of escape.

Physical miracles of healing, financial miracles, mechanical miracles, favor with enemies of God, favor with leaders and politicians, miracles of deliverance from certain death, miracles in the weather, miracles of protection, miracles of provision, resurrection miracles, and the list goes on.

The bottom line is that whatever your circumstances are right now, you can make the choice to believe God and His Word and begin to Praise Him, for His mercy endureth forever.

Psalm 136

O give thanks unto the LORD; for *he is* good: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.
O give thanks unto the God of gods: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.
O give thanks to the Lord of lords: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.
To him who alone doeth great wonders: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.
To him that by wisdom made the heavens: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.
To him that stretched out the earth above the waters: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.
To him that made great lights: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:
The sun to rule by day: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:
The moon and stars to rule by night: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.
To him that smote Egypt in their firstborn: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:
And brought out Israel from among them: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:
With a strong hand, and with a stretched out arm: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.
To him which divided the Red sea into parts: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:
And made Israel to pass through the midst of it: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:
But overthrew Pharaoh and his host in the Red sea: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.
To him which led his people through the wilderness: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

To him which smote great kings: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:
And slew famous kings: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:
Sihon king of the Amorites: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:
And Og the king of Bashan: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:
And gave their land for an heritage: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:
Even an heritage unto Israel his servant: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.
Who remembered us in our low estate: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:
And hath redeemed us from our enemies: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.
Who giveth food to all flesh: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.
O give thanks unto the God of heaven: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

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