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The Lord wants you to live in His liberty and freedom.

Jer. 29:13 *You will seek Me and find Me when you seek Me with all your heart. (NIV)*

When we moved in with my grandparents, I benefitted from the wisdom of my grandpa. He instilled some valuable lessons in my young life that have stayed with me. One of the main things he used to tell me was: whatever you do, do it all the way. Don't do anything half-way. Now I'm not sure that I've always followed this instruction, but I know that it is right. Seems the LORD knew that we can sometimes slack off on what we do. If there is anything that we should give our all to, it is seeking the LORD with all of our heart. He is, and should always be, worth our all. The LORD is so very patient with us. Aren't you glad? I know I am. I know that He is always watching my ways and keeping me in His heart. I know that He has given everything for me. And what should that draw me to do? Straight from the mouth of our LORD Jesus: **Matt. 22:37-39** *Jesus replied: "Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' (NIV)* He uses the word *all* to emphasize the kind of love we are to have for Him and for others. There is no greater love than this. **John 15:13** *Greater love has no one that this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. (NIV)* And that's exactly what He has done for us. He gave it all!

Dear LORD, thank You that You did everything, completely for us. We can be assured that Your love and grace were complete. You deserve all of our praise! In Jesus Name, Amen.