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

Rom. 8:31-32 What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He Who did not spare His own Son, but gave Him up for us all--how will He not also, along with Him, graciously give us all things? (NIV)

In reading through the book of Romans, it might seem that everything was once stacked against us. Our sin had separated us from the only One Who could save us. The wages of our sin was death. But now, Paul reminds us of the price that was paid for us and that God is for us! Many people have gotten to such a low place that they think that no one could be for them, but God is! You can never get so far away from God that He cannot see you. The psalmist David put it this way in Ps. 139:1-5 You have searched me, LORD, and You know me. You know when I sit and when I rise; You perceive my thoughts from afar. You discern my going out an my lying down; You are familiar with all my ways. Before a word is on my tongue you, LORD, know it completely. You hem me in behind and before, and You lay Your hand upon me. (NIV) Just a few verses later (vv. 7-11) he also states: Where can I go from Your Spirit? Where can I flee from Your presence? If I go up to the heavens, You are there; if I make my bed in the depths, You are there. If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there Your hand will guide me, Your right hand will hold me fast.

And because of God's mighty hand and His great love, He gave His own Son up for us. Let that sink into your life today. Don't just trudge through this, but let it permeate every part of your being. This will certainly bring liberty and freedom to live in His righteousness and presence!

Dear LORD, what an amazing Father You are to us. You have given us all good things. You walk with us by Your Spirit. You gave us the ultimate gift of eternal life with You. Praise You LORD! In Jesus Name, Amen