

JESUS SETS MEN FREE  
(Key Verse Message)

John 8:31-32; (31-59)

"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.'"

STUDY QUESTIONS

1. What is of first importance in being a disciple of Jesus? What does this mean? What is so important about the word of Jesus? (1Pe 1:24-25; Jn 6:67-68)
2. What does it mean to hold on to the word of Jesus? How can we? (Col 3:16; 2:6-7; Ps 1:2,3) What can we learn from Abraham's example (Ge 12:2; He 11:9)? From Jesus' disciples? (Jn 6:67-68)
3. What did Jesus teach them about slavery and freedom?(31-36) Why did they try to kill Jesus? (37-41)
4. What are some essential qualities of truth?In what sense is Jesus himself the truth? (14:1,2,6). Why is it so important to know the truth?
5. How does the truth set us free? (32-36) How does Jesus set us free? (34-36) (Think about the nature and tragedy of sin in Ge 3) In what sense does Cain (Ge 4) seem to be free? Why was he not?
6. How does a truly free man use his freedom?
7. What is the basic difference between those who know the truth and those who don't? (42-47)
8. How did these Jewish leaders respond to the words of the Son? (48-59) How did Abraham hold on to the word of God? With what result? What did Jesus teach them about himself? Why and how must we take root in God's word?