

UPSIDE NMOO GOSPEL

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Slave to Be Free - I Corinthians 7:22

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Pray

1. Praise God for the freedom loving God that he is. See Galatians 5:1
2. Confess to God your stubbornness to be a slave to Christ or your unwillingness to use your freedom to serve. See Galatians 5:13.

Action

1. Make yourself aware of the freedom you enjoy (because of your health, because of your relationships, because of your government, because of your spiritual identity, etc.). List those freedoms. What are the boundaries of those freedoms?
2. With your freedom in Christ, what action might you need to take in your neighbourhood with respect to
 - Surrender (something you may have to give up?)
 - Obedience (something you've stubbornly avoided?)
 - Submission (something you've held out as your right?)

Talk

1. If freedom is not so much gained as something received, how can you proclaim freedom so that someone in your neighbourhood can receive it?
2. Reflect on Isaiah 61:1 a prophetic commissioning. Then refer to Luke 4:18, a description of how Jesus saw his calling in the world. How can you imitate that in your context?

Neighbourhood Challenge

For the six weeks to Easter we are in a church wide focus on "living Upside Down in the Neighbourhood." Living like Jesus is about living differently, or "upside down" to reflect the gospel. You are encouraged to take up this Neighbourhood Challenge as a small group and see how God works in and through you! Each week we'll be commissioned as a congregation to be on mission in our neighbourhoods, and each week when we gather we'll invite people to offer a mini "mission report."

