

Travel Blessing

Freedom is coming: It means a lot of things in our different world. In this world, millions of people are still suffering. They experienced the devastation of war, suffering from oppression, various diseases, slow death from hunger, and poverty. We live in a world where many people are suffering from the impact of ecological damage. Many people live in spiritual darkness outside of their physical condition, crushed by the weight of sin and habits that torment them. The light of truth has not yet appeared in some people's lives.

Jesus proclaimed and gave some details about the nature of His mission in His first sermon as Luke 4:18-19 records:

18 "THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME,
BECAUSE HE ANOINTED ME TO PREACH THE GOSPEL TO THE POOR. HE HAS SENT ME TO
PROCLAIM RELEASE TO THE CAPTIVES, AND RECOVERY OF SIGHT TO THE BLIND, TO SET FREE
THOSE WHO ARE OPPRESSED,
19 TO PROCLAIM THE FAVORABLE YEAR OF THE LORD."

This text tells us about the mission of Christ. Christ's mission is to bring freedom to the world. The mission of Christ that we carry on this earth is to increase the standard of living of the poor. We fight together to achieve balance and equality and win the rights of marginalized and oppressed people. The gospel message is about God's love so great that it liberates man from slavery to sin. In a world where many beings are experiencing pain, suffering due to ecological destruction and because of our sins, God came first to save and set us free. He shows His great love for us, drawing us into His Kingdom so that we can join in His mission.

The gospel of salvation breaks down the walls between God and us and between us and each other. He leads us to the realization of reconciliation and peace. The gospel unites us as children of God who love and care for one another. Our mission in the world is to fulfill the mission of Christ. Christ's mission unites us to realize the Kingdom of God here, to make the earth a better place to live. We are here to proclaim the hope of eternal life because our lives as believers do not end on this earth. As long as we are alive here, let us remain faithful to our calling in the world in Fellowship, Testimony, Service, and Teaching. That is the whole gospel. Mission is story about love of God and love our neighbor. The Holy Spirit helps us now and forever.

Blessing.

Grace and peace from God, our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit be with you in realizing God's Mission in the world, bringing freedom and peace, joy to all creatures, now and forever. Amen.

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