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

2 Tim. 1:7 *For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline.* (NIV)

Do you want to be free from weakness, hatred and an out-of-control lifestyle? Paul is declaring to Timothy that these characteristics can be changed completely by the Spirit of God. When He comes to someone at salvation, He doesn't come to just 'tag along' on our life's journey. Instead, He comes to empower us to do that which we could never do on our own.

I desire this more and more in my own life. I don't want to be a slave to sin and my selfish desires. I want to live in the freedom of His Spirit and be filled with His power, His love and self-discipline. I admit that sometimes, I tend to be on the throne of my life rather than bowing at His feet and submitting myself to His purposes in life. I call upon Him daily to give me an abundance of His Spirit all through the day. I make a lousy leader of my own life. I need Him more than anything else. That's why Jesus told those who would listen, to seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all the other things would be added to us as well. This is a daily walk. It is a marathon. It is taking one step and then the next and the next. I choose to follow Him completely. How about you? Are you struggling? Call out to Him. He will come and rescue you.

Dear LORD, You are everything that we need. Your Spirit is given to us so that we will have power, love and self-discipline. Thank You, LORD, for this precious gift of Your Spirit. You are welcome in my life. In Jesus Name, Amen