



## Forever We're Free!

Date: July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Text: John 8:31-36

**Passage Summary:** As we survey the life and ministry of Jesus, one thing becomes increasingly clear; in the eye of the storm, He knows where to focus!

**180 Degree Truth #1:** See that not if, but when opposition comes, it is essential to maintain a steadfast focus on God! (8:31-36)

### Opposition Tracker in the Life of Jesus

*Jesus' brothers mock and ridicule Him in unbelief (7:2-5)*

*The religious leaders are waiting in Jerusalem to take His life (7:1, 11)*

*The crowds accuse Him of deceiving the people (7:12)*

*The crowds accuse Him of being demon possessed (7:20)*

*The crowds question His credibility to be the Messiah! (7:25-27)*

*The crowds try to seize Jesus (7:30)*

*The religious leaders send temple guards to arrest Jesus (7:32)*

*The religious leaders try to trap and accuse Jesus (8:6)*

*The religious leaders question the validity of Jesus' testimony! (8:13)*

**Application:** Recognize that when it comes to a steadfast focus on God, be mindful of His...

- \_\_\_\_\_! (v.31-36)

### See that when it comes to our calling from God, hold the line by recognizing...

Believing the \_\_\_\_\_ about Jesus leads to true and lasting \_\_\_\_\_!

*"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.'"*

**John 8:31-32**

### See that when you believe the truth about Jesus, He sets you free from...

The \_\_\_\_\_ of sin!

*"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."*

**Romans 6:23**

The \_\_\_\_\_ of sin!

*"For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin—because anyone who has died has been freed from sin."*

**Romans 6:6-7**

The \_\_\_\_\_ fear of the \_\_\_\_\_ of sin!

*"...and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death."*

**Hebrews 2:15**

The \_\_\_\_\_ of sin!

*"No longer will there be any curse."*

**Revelation 22:3**

**Remember:** When it comes to a steadfast focus on God, \_\_\_\_\_ in the light of your \_\_\_\_\_; or in the words of Paul to the Galatians, "It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery." (Galatians 5:1)

**Core Conviction to Live By:** Resolutely determine to remain in the eye of the storm as the day of Christ's return draws near; opposition will be inevitable, but there is a quietness and a strength for those who know where to focus!

*"So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."*

**John 8:36**

*"Oh, we're free, free, forever we're free*

*Come join the song, of all the redeemed*

*Yes, we're free free, forever amen*

*When death was arrested and my life began"*

**North Point Worship, Death Was Arrested**