

The Truth Will Make Me Free

▣ Overcoming believing in the “zapped” theory

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*“Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, ‘If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and **the truth shall make you free**’”*

John 8:31-32

There is a difference between believing in Jesus and believing like Jesus. Our Lord told those “who believed Him” that they needed to “know the truth” in order to be free in their life experience. Knowing the truth leads us to believe like Jesus.

I desire and receive prayer from anointed people who can give me an impartation of power, miracles, integrity, blessing or breakthrough. This is an important part of my personal growth plan. It accelerates my life in Christ. **The benefits of such prayer, however, will only last if I believe truth in the area that I was prayed for.** Ultimately, what I believe is more important than the beliefs of the one praying for me. Many experience freedom in a special meeting but cannot maintain it consistently in life because of wrong beliefs about God, others, themselves or their circumstances.

Many are hoping to be “zapped” by an anointed “Super Christian.” Again, there is great benefit in receiving prayer from stronger believers, but there must be greater emphasis placed on changing our mindsets in key areas. Unless we do this, we will be enslaved by lies—no matter how many great meetings we attend.

Jesus said, “The truth shall make you free.” These words are revolutionary. Jesus was free because He believed truth in every area of His life (provision, identity, health, power, personal habits, relationships, etc.) We too are to renew our minds to believe truth in each aspect of our lives. As we do, we will take our freedom beyond a meeting and live it out consistently in our lives. Truly, victorious mindsets will make us free.