



## A Prayer For Freedom

God of all goodness  
You created me for freedom  
An abundant life, united with you  
Filled with your love  
Overflowed by joy  
Truly myself in you

And yet there is so much that is broken  
Bound up, even resistant towards you  
I find myself enslaved by sin  
Filled with false illusions  
Tempted at every turn  
Distracted, disconnected, despairing

But that is where you come to find me  
Just as you came to so many  
Offering freedom  
You called Lazarus from the tomb  
Healed the woman with a hemorrhage  
Gave sight to blind Bartimaeus  
Brought the demoniac back to sanity  
Restored Mary Magdalene to wholeness

Free me from my bondage just as you freed them  
Expand my terrain of freedom  
Remove anything that stands in the way  
Never let anything separate me from you, my Lord

I choose freedom  
I choose you  
This day and every day  
For this is the deep desire you have implanted within me  
Amen  
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