

# THE FREEDOM PROJECT II

Matthew 4  
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*Satan is not as concerned about corrupting your actions as much as corrupting your motivations.*

*Corrupted motivations can only produce corrupted actions.*

*A slave of sin is only free in regard to righteousness.*

1. I am motivated to be       better       at \_\_\_\_\_  
than you.

2. I am motivated to be more       affirmed       by \_\_\_\_\_  
than you.

3. I am motivated to       possess       more \_\_\_\_\_  
than you.

**Jesus can set you free from spiritual bondage.**

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**Answer these questions and discuss in your group this week:**

1. What is the source of your corrupted motivations in your life? How long have you been dealing with this spiritual bondage?

2. Read Matthew 4:1-11 as a group. Discuss the three temptations Jesus was faced with:

- Hunger - Turn the stones into bread. Can God really supply my needs? (v. 3)
- Challenging God - Throwing himself down so that the angels will catch him. Is God really faithful? (v. 7)
- Worship - Turning from God in search for another. Is God the only true God? (v. 9-10)

Which of these three do you find yourself challenged with? Explain.

3. Read Matthew 4:23-25 together as a group. How does the ministry of Jesus here reveal the freedom that can only come from Him? Is your focus on the gospel enough to change your actions and motivations?

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**READ THE BIBLE IN A YEAR.**  
Don't forget to Read, Reflect and Respond.

**MON** - 1 Samuel 4-8  
**TUES** - 1 Samuel 9-12  
**WED** - 1 Samuel 13-14  
**THU** - 1 Samuel 15-17

**FRI** - 1 Samuel 18-20; Psalms 11, 59  
**SAT** - 1 Samuel 21-24  
**SUN** - Psalms 7, 27, 31, 34, 52