

¹Does this sound as if we were again boasting about ourselves? Could it be that, like some other people, we need letters of recommendation to you or from you? ²You yourselves are the letter we have, written on our hearts for everyone to know and read. ³It is clear that Christ himself wrote this letter and sent it by us. It is written, not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, and not on stone tablets but on human hearts.

2 Corinthians 3:1-8 (GNT)



⁴We say this because we have confidence in God through Christ. ⁵There is nothing in us that allows us to claim that we are capable of doing this work. The capacity we have comes from God; ⁶it is he who made us capable of serving the new covenant, which consists not of a written law but of the Spirit. The written law brings death, but the Spirit gives life.

2 Corinthians 3:1-8 (GNT)

⁷The Law was carved in letters on stone tablets, and God's glory appeared when it was given. Even though the brightness on Moses' face was fading, it was so strong that the people of Israel could not keep their eyes fixed on him. If the Law, which brings death when it is in force, came with such glory, ⁸how much greater is the glory that belongs to the activity of the Spirit!

2 Corinthians 3:1-8 (GNT)

¹⁶“But the veil is removed whenever someone turns to the Lord.” ¹⁷Now, “the Lord” in this passage is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is present, there is freedom. ¹⁸All of us, then, reflect the glory of the Lord with uncovered faces; and that same glory, coming from the Lord, who is the Spirit, transforms us into his likeness in an ever greater degree of glory.

2 Corinthians 3:16-18 (GNT)

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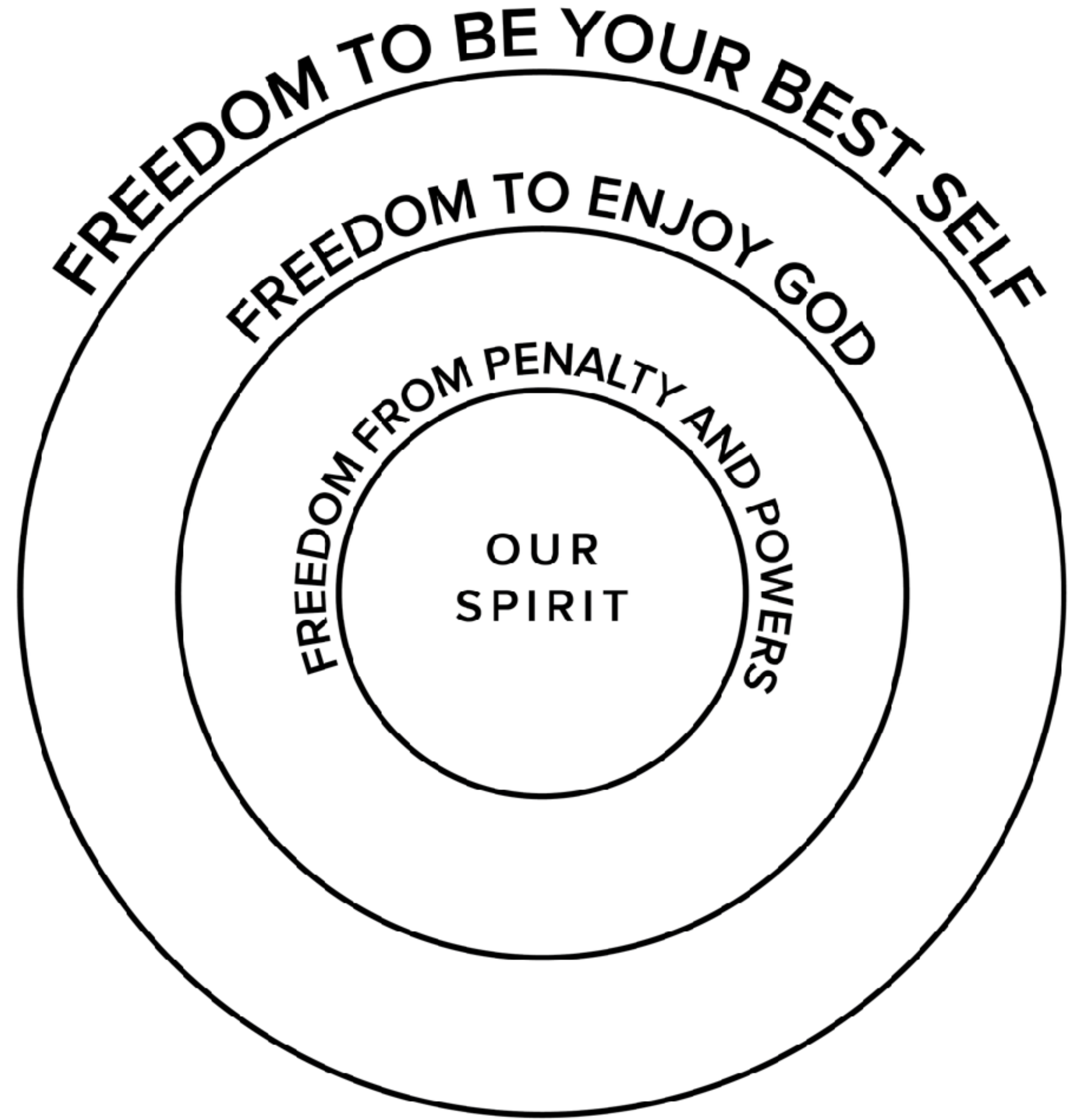
A Free Spirit is a Work of the Spirit!

But whenever a person turns [in repentance] to the Lord, the veil is stripped off and taken away. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty (emancipation from bondage, freedom). And all of us, as with unveiled face, [because we] continued to behold [in the Word of God] as in a mirror the glory of the Lord,
2 Corinthians 3:16-18 (AMP)

are constantly being transfigured into His very own image in ever increasing splendor and from one degree of glory to another; [for this comes] from the Lord [Who is] the Spirit.

2 Corinthians 3:16-18 (AMP)

THE THREEFOLD WORK OF FREEDOM



Freedom from Penalty and Powers

If the Law, **which brings death** when it is in force, came with such glory, **how much greater is the glory that belongs to the activity of the Spirit!**

2 Corinthians 3:7-8 (GNT)

Freedom from Penalty and Powers

The wicked flee though no one pursues, but the righteous are as bold as a lion.

Proverbs 28:1 (NIV)

Freedom to Enjoy God

But **the veil is removed whenever someone turns to the Lord**. Now, "the Lord" in this passage is the Spirit; **and where the Spirit of the Lord is present, there is freedom.**

2 Corinthians 3:16-17 (GNT)

Freedom to Enjoy God

For the Kingdom of God is...a matter of
righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

Romans 14:17 (NIV)

Freedom to Be Your Best Self

...where the Spirit of the Lord is present, there is freedom. All of us, then, **reflect the glory of the Lord** with uncovered faces; **and that same glory, coming from the Lord, who is the Spirit, transforms us into his likeness in an ever greater degree of glory.**

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