

# playlist

WEEK FIVE - FREEDOM

*So we live out in our old van  
Travel all across this land  
Me and you  
And we'll end up hand in hand  
Somewhere down on the sand  
Just me and you  
Just as free  
Free as we'll ever be*

## Freedom

“Give me liberty or give me death.” - Patrick Henry

“I will fight for freedom, but serving my country.”

## Servanthood & Freedom

### Servanthood vs. Freedom

### Limitation vs. Autonomy

**Genesis 2:15-17 (NLT)** The Lord God placed the man in the Garden of Eden to tend and watch over it. But the Lord God warned him, “You may freely eat the fruit of every tree in the garden—except the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. If you eat its fruit, you are sure to die.”

### Were Adam and Eve free if God gave them limitations?

**Genesis 3:7 (NLT)** At that moment their eyes were opened, and they suddenly felt shame at their nakedness. So they sewed fig leaves together to cover themselves.

**Genesis 3:21-23 (NLT)** And the Lord God made clothing from animal skins for Adam and his wife. Then the Lord God said, “Look, the human beings have become like us, knowing both good and evil. What if they reach out, take fruit from the tree of life, and eat it? Then they will live forever!” So the Lord God banished them from the Garden of Eden, and he sent Adam out to cultivate the ground from which he had been made.

True freedom is not choice or lack of constraint, but being what you are meant to be. - Augustine

**Matthew 22:37-40 (NLT)** Jesus replied, “You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. A second is equally important: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself. The entire law and all the demands of the prophets are based on these two commandments.’”

## Love God / Love Others

**Matthew 16:24 (NLT)** Then Jesus said to his disciples, “If any of you wants to be my follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross, and follow me.

**1 Corinthians 9:19 (NLT)** Even though I am a free man with no master, I have become a slave to all people to bring many to Christ.

**Freedom is not guarding your own rights, its giving them up to serve God and people.**

**Have your misperceptions about freedom kept you from being free?**