

Intro:

2:4 The false brethren

But it was because of the false brethren secretly brought in,

How did they operate?

secretly brought in, who had sneaked in

What was their purpose?

to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus.

What were they examining? our liberty, the freedom they had in Christ Jesus.

Liberty ἐλευθερία as a state of being free *freedom, liberty*, opposite δουλεία (*slavery, bondage*);

Observations on Liberty/freedom in Christ.

1. Our heritage as believer's in Christ is one of freedom. Gal. 5:1, 13

2. We are free from the domination of the sin nature.

Need to think about this in 2 ways.

#1. Positional Rom 6:2,7 provision is made! Freed in a legal sense δικαιώω

#2. Experientially Rom. 6:11-22

3. Freedom to serve God

- 6:22 freed from sin and enslaved to God.
- 1 Pet. 2:16