

## **Why So Many Americans Aren't Truly Free**

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**Text:** 1 Corinthians 6:1-20

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### **Introduction:**

Americans are rightly grateful for the heritage of freedom which has allowed our nation to prosper and attain global influence.

In recent days, however, we have been witnessing the dark side of our national values

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*Freedom is effective as a means to an end,  
but is destructive as an end unto itself.*

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This passage reveals five great Pillars of Truth that lead to genuine prosperity!

1. The Holy Spirit makes the Lord's people \_\_\_\_\_ to render important \_\_\_\_\_ — a judgmental spirit and a decision are different things.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ will not inherit the kingdom of God--Satan's greatest deception is that we can SIN without \_\_\_\_\_!
3. There is both \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus Christ — \_\_\_\_\_ can become \_\_\_\_\_.
4. A desire to express absolute \_\_\_\_\_ through the flesh inevitably leads to a condition of absolute physical, emotional, and spiritual \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Our bodies are \_\_\_\_\_ of the Holy Spirit and belong to \_\_\_\_\_!

*American society is being destroyed by a relentless attack on these great pillars of truth.*

These five great Pillars of Deception have gained widespread acceptance and led to a general poverty of mind, body, and spirit!

No truth is absolute for all \_\_\_\_\_ and all \_\_\_\_\_  
— the only absolute is that there are no absolutes.

Truth is relative to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_,  
so there is no higher source of authority and truth than the \_\_\_\_\_.

Since there is no truth other than the \_\_\_\_\_ of  
individuals, all things are \_\_\_\_\_, so long as they  
do not deprive another individual of his/her own absolute  
\_\_\_\_\_ freedom.

Any activity which is \_\_\_\_\_ should be absolutely  
free of \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.

What we choose to do with our bodies is an entirely \_\_\_\_\_  
and \_\_\_\_\_ matter, although \_\_\_\_\_ has a  
responsibility to relieve us of any negative consequences.

### **Conclusion:**

The consequences of a misplaced faith in personal freedom are multiplying. Christians need to lead America in redefining freedom, so that it can again become a means of attaining true prosperity of mind, body, and spirit!