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- True godly freedom is not the right to do whatever we want—it is the freedom to put others first. Love calibrates how we use our freedom, so that something permissible is set aside for the sake of another person's conscience or well-being.
- Is there an area where I could set aside my "right" out of love for someone else's conscience or well-being?

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- Every act of freedom—eating, drinking, serving, sacrificing— finds its highest purpose in bringing glory to God. Even the most ordinary moments of the day, when offered to Him, become an act of worship.
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Application For This Week:

Choose one relationship or situation this week where you can lay down a personal freedom or preference out of love for someone else. As you do, ask the Lord to help you see it not as a sacrifice, but as an opportunity to reflect the love Christ has shown you—and offer the moment back to Him as an act of worship.

Prayer:

Father, thank You for the freedom I have in Jesus—freedom from sin, from condemnation, and from fear. I recognize that this freedom cost You everything, though it is freely given to me. Teach me to use this freedom not for myself, but in love for others, and help me do all things, even the small and ordinary, for Your glory alone. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

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