

Stars and Stripes

Part Two - The Declaration of Dependence

Psalm 146:5

The LORD God of Jacob blesses everyone who trusts him and depends on him.

1 Peter 2:9

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

Romans 8:15

So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful slaves. Instead, you received God's Spirit when he adopted you as his own children. Now we call him, "Abba, Father."

Our declaration of dependence begins by recognizing tyranny.

John 8:34

Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, everyone who sins is a slave to sin."

Our independence from sin's tyranny requires our dependence on the Savior.

Acts 4:12

"Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved."

Our dependence on God provides us with life, liberty, and no need for the pursuit of happiness.

John 1:4

In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.

Acts 17:28

For in him we live and move and exist.

John 8:36

So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

Galatians 5:1

Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage.

Six Declarations of our Dependence

1. Prayer

2. Worship

3. The Bible

4. Our Spiritual Family

5. Ministry

6. Holiness