

Deacon's Beacons

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So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed. John 8:36

Freedom does not mean that I can do anything I want. What Jesus means by freedom here is that we are not slaves to sin. There are many people who think that freedom is in fact doing whatever they want. But there is an implied contract when living in society. My freedom extends only as far as it does not interfere with the rights of others. The sense of liberty as absolute is an Enlightenment concept. One way of testing the validity of a claim is to extend it to absurdity. If I am free, does that mean that I can kill someone for whatever reason I think is appropriate? Of course not. But our society has lost its sense of the value of life and of the person. Pray that we can find that balance again.

Go raibh síocháin Chríost a bheith in éineacht leat.

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