

Freedom Prayer

Lord, there are many things that seek to keep me bound -
People and devils, systems, rules and restrictions,
With their money, barbed wire, promises and threats.

But mainly it's my own cowardly fear that is the jailor,
With my addiction to guilty thoughts, prejudice, phobias,
And simple bad habits.

So Lord, make me free inside,
In my heart and soul and mind and strength,
Free to think clearly, trust wholeheartedly and choose wisely,
Free to love deeply and faithfully,
Free to live simply and positively with gratitude.

With your powerful name break every curse, every bad word,
Every darkness that is set to hinder, harm or confuse me.
With your strong forgiveness raise my heart to live anew,
And deliver me from bitterness and resentment.
With your living Spirit dwell in me and liberate me
To love enemies and overcome evil with good.

Show me the opportunities today, right here in this small corner
To walk in the freedom of your obedience and goodness,
For your sake, and everyone else's too.

Amen