

**SINGING:** 194:1,4,5,6 – 426: 2,3 -151: 2,5,6 – 422: 6

**READING:** Galatians 5 - Apostolic Creed

## **THE TRUE LIBERTY**

Text: Galatians 5: 1

*Stand therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.*

### **Merited by Christ**

- God had created him in such a condition that he could enjoy the highest liberty.
- When the Father asked: "How shall I put thee among the children, and give thee a pleasant land?"
- Constantly that becomes greater to me, that the eternal, only Son of God took upon Himself our human nature.
- He is still there, constantly active for His Church.

### **Enjoyed by the bride-church**

- Thus we see that the Lord leads His people by different ways.
- All these examples are only mentioned to cause the Lord's sovereignty to be revealed, for He has all things in His hand.
- That He might be glorified. That is the end purpose of God, but it is also the purpose of the Church.
- No one can deny this. Would no liberty be tasted and relished when our eye is directed upon Him?
- It is the word of Christ in John 8: 36: "If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.

- For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.  
O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?

### **The true liberty underestimated by many**

- For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.
- Are we not passive in all things? Separation is also necessary here.
- He gave them eternal life and they shall not go lost forever. Therefore they cannot let loose either.

### **Application**

- Therefore continue, in season and out of season.
- That is the true liberty which God is willing to grant to us and also experienced and realized by God's people.