

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO
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LIVING FREE

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JOHN

JOHN 8:31-38

“When the going gets tough, the tough get going.”

- Joe Kennedy

“You must be the change you wish to see in the world.”

- Mahatma Gandhi

“Tis better to have loved and lost than to have never loved at all.”

- Alfred Lord Tennyson

“You miss 100 percent of the shots you never take.”

- Wayne Gretzky

“That which does not kill us makes us stronger.”

- Friedrich Nietzsche

“...you will know the truth and the truth will set you free.”

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JOHN VIII-XXXII

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How do we know we know the truth?

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- **Know the truth**

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- **Delight in its freedom**

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- **Practice “approved” sins**

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- **Don't love**

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Believing there are things, people that will provide more happiness than Jesus.

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- CONTROL – Inaccurate worldview
- **CONSEQUENCE - Hell**

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- **Ask God to use us to help others experience the freedom that comes with knowing the truth.**