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**Fellowship of Companies for Christ
 Greater Hartford Chapter
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- Opening prayer / praise reports
- Introductions
- Today's Topic: **Are you free today?**

Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage. (Galatians 5:1) If the Son therefore shall make you free, you shall be free indeed. (John 8:36)

In 1999, the Lord led me to create a poster for Christian business owners, highlighting the ways in which we are FREE to operate our businesses God's way and not the world's way. Many owners have told me they have framed this poster and hung it in their offices. This morning, let's review and discuss the content...assess our current freedom...and explore how we can become more free:

As a *Christian* business owner, **I AM FREE** to lead my business with love, joy, peace, patience, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness and self-control through the power of the indwelling Holy Spirit!

As a *Christian* business owner, **I AM FREE** to courageously and boldly abide in God's Call as a "minister in the marketplace." I have the liberty to share the Gospel and to be a Godly leader in word and in deed!

As a *Christian* business owner, **I AM FREE** from being manipulated by other people, including customers, employees and suppliers. I am also free from manipulating others. I have the liberty to build win-win relationships!

As a *Christian* business owner, **I AM FREE** of covetousness. I have the liberty to lay up my treasures in heaven instead of here on earth. I have the freedom to avoid debt, to pay my taxes, to compensate people fairly and on-time, and to avoid the accumulation of material goods that have no eternal value!

Evaluate yourself from 1 (weak) to 10 (strong) in your freedom level today.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Why did you give yourself this rating?										
What benefits might you enjoy by becoming more free?										
What specific actions can you take to increase your freedom?										

- Next meeting: here on Wednesday, August 17 @ 7:30 am
- Upcoming events/news
- Closing prayer