

Letter 384
Free Will Trade Agreement
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Dear Dan,

Friday 21 August 2015.

Some of the talks over the phone that (CB41) and I have while I work at night center on various points of theological and scriptural understanding.

One of those points is the controversy over “FREE WILL” versus “ETERNAL SECURITY”. The majority interpretation of either phrase is that whatever viewpoint is true, must necessarily apply to all Christians.

I brought up what I think is a third option. This is the notion that eternal security is available to anyone who freely chooses it. My idea is that all Disciples have the option of turning away from Christ at first (John 6:66). But as we continue with and mature in the Lord, we daily are given the opportunity to make choices that can help to make our “calling and election sure” (1 Peter 1:10).

At one point in our conversation I said to (CB41),

“YOU CAN LOSE YOUR SALVATION, BUT I CAN’T LOSE MINE.”

I said this with confidence because, in addition to Scripture where it says I cannot be plucked from my Father’s hand or Jesus’ hand, on two separate occasions I voluntarily surrendered my free will to Jesus. The first time was in the early 1990’s. I write about this in Letter 232 Volume 5-14. The second time was after Satan’s last attempt on my life. Jesus had healed and returned my free will to me, and then asked if I wanted to continue in the anointing He had for me. I responded with; “I’m all in”.

While (CB41) and I were talking last night, he posed the possibility that I might want to have my free will returned to me some day. I don’t remember what I said in response, but I was thinking how unlikely that would be. I couldn’t think of a single scenario under which I would want to have control of my life back.

Later on in the night, at about 1:40AM, the Holy Spirit brought to mind that part of the conversation between (CB41) and me, and I responded to the Lord with;

“as far as I’m concerned, You can have my free will forever.”

He became very happy with that answer, and said to me in return;

“OK. I WILL KEEP YOUR FREE WILL.
 BUT IN RETURN, I WILL GIVE YOU MY FREE WILL”.

I had never thought of anything like that before. But as the enormity of this exchange began to sink in, I realized this was the deal of a lifetime.

What better Will to have than that of Him who is the most free of all, the Lord Himself?

The benefits of this FREE WILL TRADE AGREEMENT will last forever.

Blessings...

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