

FREEDOM FOR ALL

Here's a fun way to open a discussion on the topic of freedom. Divide the group into smaller groups and have each group come up with a short skit that would show what they would do if they were completely free to do their own thing, with no restrictions. Then have them present the skits to the group. Most will be very funny, showing such things as telling off their parents, teachers, etc., dropping out of school, living it up, traveling, and so on. Surprisingly enough, these skits actually help the kids to see the chaos and futility of "complete freedom." The following questions can then be used for an in-depth discussion of the topic:

- What does the word freedom mean to you?
- If you were "completely free," what would you do?
- If everyone were "completely free," and did their own thing, what would be the result?
- Discuss Romans 6:16-23 and Paul's concept of man as a slave.
- Discuss Romans 7:21-25. What was Paul's problem and where did he find freedom from it?
- How does Christ define freedom? (See John 8:31-34.)
- Discuss freedom vs. responsibility. (See Galatians 5:13.)