



# Here's *the* Mic

wk 4 - July 17

## Is Following Jesus Really Freedom?

### INTRODUCTION

In week four of *Here's the Mic*, Pastor Chip talks with Dede Nibbelink about what freedom in Jesus looks like. Dede shares her faith journey with us and the challenges she's currently facing. Together, they share that freedom in Christ is not the absence of restrictions but rather discovering the right restrictions.

### DISCUSSION

1. Dede mentioned she turned to other things to fulfill what only God could, and it led to more despair and longing. What examples do you see in your Little Iowa of people turning to other things instead of God?
2. **Read Romans 6:16-23.** How do the examples you discussed above lead to slavery instead of freedom? What's the result of freedom in Christ?
3. The path to freedom can be a lifelong journey, and Christians' lives aren't perfect. Share one struggle you are experiencing now.
4. Take time to pray and encourage each other.

### TAKE ACTION

1. Pray for those in your Little Iowa who may need a bold invitation, are trying to determine if they should cross the Faith Line, or are on a difficult freedom path.
2. Boldly invite someone from your Little Iowa to come sit with you on the weekend.
3. **Read Romans 6 and Galatians 5.** What areas of your life do you need to submit to God to receive His freedom? Share with someone you trust so they can help you on this journey.

### RESOURCES

1. Watch [Steps to Freedom in Christ](#) on [RightNow Media](#).
2. Read [The Bondage Breaker](#) by Neil T. Anderson
3. Read [A Long Obedience in the Same Direction](#) by Eugene Peterson