

ON SPIRITUAL FREEDOM

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[a lil friday reflection as we head into the weekend..]

The patterns in how religions evolve reveal a universal tendency.



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They often begin in freedom. Many shift toward constraint.

Buddhism offers a clear window into this pattern.

Its strength isn't dogma— It's freedom.



Its followers can draw truth from any faith. No walls. No boundaries. Just wisdom.

That kind of freedom is rare on this planet. Most religious institutions build fences. Buddhism is one of the few that opens

gates.

The Shin sect in Japan understood this.

They became one of the freest religious groups around.

Reviving Gautama's missionary spirit. Sending teachers to other lands. Building bridges, not barriers.



Their willingness to take truth from any source— Commendable.
Revolutionary. Wise.

It happened before.

In the first ~50 years after Christ.

Before institutions locked down living truth.

When the Master's message still breathed freely.

When disciples sought wisdom over power.



Those early believers grok'd something big:

Seeing truth wherever it shows up Isn't the same as blending religions.

One = discernment. The other = dilution.

One strengthens faith. The other weakens it.

Jesus recognized truth across traditions Without losing his own.



He didn't mix a hybrid faith. He brought something new—eternal principles.

His early followers followed suit. They didn't blend Judaism with Roman mystery cults. They discerned truth and held their ground.

Over time, things shifted.

Churches turned into businesses. Rituals overtook relationships. Doctrine buried direct experience. Money changers slipped back in.



Today, the pattern repeats:

Religious institutions laundering money. Pulpits pushing violence and obedience. "Interfaith" projects forcing false blends. Chrislam changing history instead of honoring it.

These aren't spiritual freedom. They're new controls.

New ways to erase the Master's message. New walls between souls and truth.

True spiritual freedom isn't mashing faiths together. It's spotting truth with clear eyes. It's direct connection to the Father. It's remembering who you are.



The early ones knew the difference. Not boxed in by rules. Not cut loose from roots. Anchored in truth, free to explore it.

Now it's emerging again, infinite in all directions.

Not religious mashups. But true discernment. Not institutional fixes. But individual change. Not new dogmas. But real relationship.

And above all, knowing we're brothers and sisters— God as our Father binding us whole.

The pattern shows itself.

Freedom with foundation. Exploration with integrity. Discovery with clarity.



The river runs.

And the best is yet to come.

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