

## Abstract

Through this thesis, first of all, I wish to show that Christians need to be set free from bondages that were formed because of their past. Secondly I would like to consider how the church can be the place where Christians can be helped to find freedom from whatever bondages that they have as they grow in their relationship with God and with people.

The first two chapters seek to establish the need for Christians to be set free. Chapter One shows the reality of the need to be set free by citing real cases of different people whose walk as a Christian had been hindered because of demonic influence and also my own experience of the need to be set free even after having been a committed Christian for many years. Chapter Two shows the Biblical basis for the need for Christians to be set free from bondages.

Chapter Three gives us three case studies of the healing and deliverance ministry in Malaysia. This seeks to show us the kind of ministries available in Malaysia and those things that can contribute to helping a Christian to be freed from past bondages. The fourth chapter gives suggestions as to what the church can do in order to be the place where Christians can grow in freedom in their walk with God. Finally the concluding chapter seeks to summarize all the different factors that will help the individual Christian grow in freedom from bondages.