

FREEDOM AND RESTRICTION



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Don't we all want to be free? We don't want restriction we want freedom. The desire to be free is probably as old as the beginning of existence. We want to be free from restriction. We want to be, do and have without limits or boundaries. Only then can we be happy. Happy to be, do and have whatever we want.

The truth of the matter is that in this world there is only restriction. Freedom doesn't exist, not even in this universe. When you think you are free you are unaware of restrictions. Only when you can be uninfluenced by restrictions you can feel free. This doesn't mean that you are free. It means that you feel as if you are free. With "you" I mean your personality in reality, not your core essence.

Within reality there are only restrictions wherever you look. The fact that most humans are unaware outside the five senses is a restriction of immense proportion yet considered normal. Many people are not even aware of their own thinking.

The feeling of freedom can be experienced when a certain restriction has been overcome. The feeling of freedom is therefore always associated with restrictions.

Total Freedom implies no restrictions. Total freedom can, for this reason, have no part in life. Freedom from something means a lessening in restrictions, not freedom.

There are many different, so called, freedoms. Let us make up a few in order to clarify all this:

Free will

Freedom to act

Freedom to think

Freedom to fight

Freedom to be

Freedom to possess

Freedom to become

Freedom to be wealthy

Freedom of speech

Freedom to have power over others

You might see a certain sequence of importance in these different freedoms.

The most fundamental freedom is, of course, free will. Without the freedom to want something we cannot create anything, can we?

As soon as you want something you become aware of restrictions. If you don't you are irresponsible. And even the irresponsible will experience restrictions.

I am telling you that striving for freedom means trouble. To prove my point let's have a closer look at the above, so called, freedoms.

Free will

Aleister Crowley is said to have been the most evil man that ever walked the earth. His famous expression "do what thou wilt" tells you that he was a great advocate of free will.

In a world that is build with boundaries, limitations and restrictions, free will is another word for total chaos. Crowley must have been aware of this.

Do whatever you please with no concern for consequences forms the rock bottom basic for all mans evil deeds.

On the other hand we should not be limited to a point where we cannot create constructively. We can only be constructive if we care for each other and the environment we live in.

In ideal circumstances where we would all work together constructively can we have free will without chaos? I don't think so.

Intentions are limitations in itself. When you intent to buy a car you need a sufficient amount of money to buy the car you want to have. You need someone that has a car for sale. You need to go and look at the car you want to buy. The car has to fit your expectations etc. etc.. These are all restrictions. You cannot simply step into any car and drive away, can you? According to Aleister Crowley you can.

But even if you could drive away with any car you like, driving a car has restrictions too just as anything you can think of has. There is nothing that is free from restrictions. Life consists of boundaries, limitations and restrictions.

You don't belief me? Ok, take a stone. Can a stone exist without restrictions? A stone needs to be supported by something. It cannot just float in the air, can it? It cannot move itself to another location. What about a bird? As free as a bird we say.

Is a bird free? Not by a long shot. It has to overcome serious obstacles. Flying in the air takes great strength. The bird has to come down. It cannot stay there indefinitely.

I think you get the picture. Nothing is free. Freedom does not exist and free will is the ideal recipe for disaster.

Freedom to think

We surely should be allowed to think freely. Shouldn't we? It is probably the most basic human right there is. Any restriction on free thinking is absurd, isn't it? How can we possibly be constructive creators if we are not allowed to think freely?

However, our thinking mind isn't really free. It has boundaries, limitations and restrictions just as any other aspect of life has. I dare say that no other aspect of life is more restricted than our thinking mind. It has been stated that only 5% of all human thoughts are creative thoughts. The remaining 95% is programmed thought. These are thought patterns that just happen to you. How about that for a restriction.

Then there is the aspect of influence. Creative thoughts don't just happen; they need influence from other thoughts. These other thoughts come from experience and other people. Thinking itself can only produce thoughts through other thoughts. You could call these supporting thoughts. It never the less is a restriction as you cannot think a thought without supporting thoughts.

Then there is the fact that others can influence your thinking in a negative way. This can limit your ability to think and create constructively.

Aleister Crowley had an enormous negative influence on human thinking.

You cannot stop or forbid destructive or constructive thinking at least not yet.

Technology is evolving at a fast pace in that direction. When human thinking can be controlled it is the controller who determines whether your thoughts are constructive or destructive. I can only hope humanity will not embrace these new technologies and thus give away the remaining 5% of their thought potential. If we do we will be living robots.

Freedom to be

Being itself is a limitation. When you are a police man you cannot, at the same time, be a crook. Even when a police man commits a crime at that very moment he really is a crook, not a police man.

Should we be free to be whatever we want to be? That depends on a lot of things. Being a crook is not really desirable for his victims.

What if we are constructive creators, can we be whatever we please? Being a baker is limited to those people that can actually bake bread or cake of the expected quality. Otherwise you cannot call yourself a baker.

I know this seems all very obvious. I am just trying to illustrate that there is no such thing as freedom yet we desire to be free. When you would define freedom as a feeling then freedom could be said to exist.

Freedom to become

I want to become a pilot. That's all very well but you should be able to learn all you need to know to be a pilot. You have to be mentally stable. Lots of rules and restrictions you need to know. You need to learn how to fly an airplane. When you can't do that you will not become a pilot. You need to know all the rules and apply them without any mistakes.

You are not free to become a pilot and when you are a pilot you are not allowed to do whatever you like either. You have responsibilities toward your personnel and passengers.

But you can feel free while being a pilot in the air? Of course you can.

I ones wanted to become a truck driver. I considered it would give me freedom from staying at one place all the time. I would be able to see beautiful sceneries. The whole thought of becoming a truck driver gave me a sense of freedom.

I don't have to list all the boundaries, rules and barriers that a truck driver has to deal with these days. I think you understand what I mean.

Freedom of speech

When we are allowed to think whatever we want to think about shouldn't we also be allowed to say whatever we want to say?

This is a very touchy point. Can you forbid someone to speak? Should you forbid certain individuals to open their mouth? These are very sensitive questions.

Negative thinking can create negative emotions. Negative emotions in one person can create negative emotions in others. It is, of course the same with negative speech.

You can feel negative thinking and be influenced by it. But, it seems that negative speech can have a much more profound impact on people.

When I use the word negative in this context what do I mean? Positive or negative can be different for everybody. What is negative for one can be positive for another.

In order to make some sense let's firmly establish a yard stick that most people can agree on. I already mentioned one earlier in this article.

Being a constructive creator means caring for each other and the environment we live in.

That is all we need to do to make this world a better place to live in. If we want to accomplish a better world all intentions should live up to this yard stick. Quit a limitation don't you agree? But how can you improve anything without limitation. You cannot, period.

Through communication we can influence each other most effectively for better or for worse. Communication is the ultimate weapon to influence others.

When we talk about freedom of speech we have to realize that people will use the ultimate weapon to get what they want.

There are three types of people:

1. The constructive creator
2. The follower
3. The destructive criminal

Number 1 and number 3 are in a constant battle to get number 2 on their side. Number 3 has been ruling the world for thousands of years. In current affairs number 3 is still much stronger than number 1 as we can see from the misery still rampant on earth. However, number 1 is slowly getting stronger and gaining more followers.

Should we allow number 3 to use the most powerful weapon in existence to keep the followers on his side?

Hitler and many others of his caliber showed the world how powerful a tool communication can be. Destructive leaders know how to use freedom of speech to their advantage. They create problems to cause emotional response and use this response to install their solutions. Their solutions are not constructive but people have become too emotional to see it.

Destructive leaders don't want their followers to have freedom of speech. They will allow it to a certain extent just to give people the impression that they mean well. Another reason for destructive leaders to allow their followers to express themselves more freely is to divide people. When you allow people to criticize each other you can rule over them more easily.

Freedom of speech is a very emotional subject in itself. Shouldn't we all be allowed to give expression to our thoughts? Aren't we all entitled to our opinion? What would happen if we are not allowed to say what we feel?

These are valid questions. To answer these questions we need to understand what real communication is and what it is not.

What is real communication?

Real communication is a process where two or more people are able to exchange ideas because the receivers of these ideas remain respectful to the senders. Only then constructive creation can ensue.

To have respect for the opinion of others doesn't mean you have to agree with them. It just means that you don't generate negative emotions on these ideas or those uttering them. You accept it as their opinion.

This is what we call a dialog. In a dialog we are interested in the opinion of the other person. We listen in order to understand the others opinions. In all dialog the listener is also allowed to express his or her opinion. This is real communication. This is what is needed to come to an improvement of any condition.

What isn't real communication?

According to dictionaries the word discussion is synonymous to the word dialog yet there can be quite a difference between the meanings of those words. A discussion, in most cases, is not real communication as outlined above. It can be real communication but seldom is. In a discussion the element of win or lose can play a major role.

In a discussion you very often want to defend your opinion and if you are overruled by another, more able to defend his opinion, you have lost. Losing might result in less status.

This is a very poor form of communication yet it is most popular. Win/lose discussions will not result in constructive creation. Politics is a good example of how leadership can utterly fail due to win/lose discussions.

Conclusion:

If we want to improve human civilization, free speech should be limited to the use of dialog (real communication) not discussion. It should also be limited to the exchange of ideas that have the potential to enhance constructive creation. Free speech should also be limited to the discovery of obstructive or destructive ideas in order to change them into constructive ideas. Due to this conclusion we cannot call it free speech as limited speech is not free speech.

This is not to say that everyone who doesn't talk along these lines is to shut up. I just want to show you what is needed for real improvement to take place. However, when we deal with a destructive criminal who is using his right to speak freely in order to harm the environment or terrorize others it would make sense to limit his behavior or make him shut up.

Freedom to act

This is to say that you allow yourself or others to do whatever you or they want to do.

Aleister Crowley did whatever he wanted to do and the result was devastating. His satanic influence on pop music has poisoned many artists and his work is still visible in today's music industry.

It is much the same as the other examples of freedom; in the hands of criminals it causes great hardship. In the hands of constructive creators it can bring human civilization on a much higher level.

But again, when you look deeper into this freedom you will see that even constructive creators are not free to act. This is because whatever you set out to do you need to restrict yourself. When you do something in most cases, you cannot at the same time do something else, can you?

To accomplish something you need to follow a certain plan of action. All things not on your plan have to be ignored or dealt with so you can follow your plan. Nothing happens without restriction. Action itself is all about restriction.

Freedom to fight

Shouldn't we be allowed to defend ourselves? I guess so. Freedom and fighting don't go together all that well.

Freedom means the absence of restrictions and fighting is all about restrictions. When you want to fight for freedom, think again as you are fighting for a nonexistent goal. You can fight for fewer restrictions but not for freedom?

Winning a fight might give you a sense of freedom unless you care too much about your opponent. Fighting means pain, harm and humiliation usually on both sides. Very often there are no real winners as both parties suffer.

The best way to defend yourself is to cause the least possible harm. Only defend yourself when there is no other way. Realize that your opponent is in his/her core essence powerful and loving and so are you. The only reason for a fight is the denial of who you really are.

Freedom to possess

When we possess something we restrict others from possessing it. If we could fully trust and respect each other possession wouldn't be necessary. We wouldn't have to possess anything. Possession came about through a fear of losing. Fear of losing is caused by disrespect and distrust.

Do you need to possess your cloths in order to wear them? Do you need to possess a house in order to live in it? Do you need to possess a car in order to drive in it?

The whole safety hype came about through the fear of losing possession.

Shouldn't we all have the freedom to possess whatever we need or desire? The problem is that we don't yet live in a world where we can fully trust and respect each other. We could but currently we don't.

That makes freedom of possession an unworkable premise. As we all know, the biggest part of the world lives in poverty and a very small number of people sit on all the wealth because they are allowed to possess anything they wish to possess.

That makes freedom of possession an extremely vulnerable liberty. We cannot be free to possess or free from possession until we can fully trust and respect each other and that means all living beings on earth. I think this is a sensible conclusion.

Freedom to be wealthy

Since we covered possession let's take wealth in the meaning of a money surplus. In other words should we be free to have more money than we need to have? When do we have too much money?

When you have a surplus of money you keep it away from other people who are in need for it. The wrong kind of restriction you might say.

Having some reserve money is normal. You might need it in the future. But to have more than you need, even when you know other people lack sufficient money to lead a decent life, is unfair isn't it?

Honest people will use their surplus of money to help others. They restrict themselves from having too much. Dishonest people will use their surplus of money to control or suppress others which is just another form of restriction.

If the freedom to have a surplus of money would be abolished there probably would be far less corrupt leaders.

Freedom to have power over others

A surplus of money is, without a doubt, the best way to gain power over others. You can make others work for you. They need the money that you have in abundance so they will do what you want them to do. Sounds like some sort of slavery. Not fair, don't you agree?

Shouldn't leaders that use their surplus of money to force their will on others be restraint? If they were restraint from doing so people would probably be more inclined to take some responsibility for others and the environment instead of chasing money all the time.

I think you got the picture by now. Freedom isn't working in the physical universe as it is all about restriction.

Freedom means having the power to act, speak or think without externally imposed restraints. It sounds so good but in this world it is pure, unadulterated insanity.

In your core essence you are free. In the game of life as a human being you are restricted. In the game of life there is only restriction. It is the type of restrictions that determine whether we are constructive creators or destructive criminals.

As a human being you can feel free when restrictions become less or when you become less aware or unaware of restrictions or when you can remain uninfluenced by them.

I hope this isn't too much of a shock to you reading all this about the unfree world we live in. You might not agree with it. You have the freedom to disagree. No, no, no that is not a real freedom either as you are restricted to agreeing or to disagreeing. You could decide to be neutral about it. Then you are restricted to three options. Believe me, there are no exceptions. Freedom doesn't exist in this world.

Here some axioms regarding freedom:

- Existence cannot exist without restrictions
- Each and every aspect of life is a restriction
- Freedom has no part in life
- Only your core essence can be free as it has no boundaries and exist beyond creation.
- Freedom can be experienced through feeling
- A lessening in restrictions can bring about a feeling of freedom
- Being uninfluenced by restrictions can bring about a feeling of freedom as well

Hopefully I have clarified this topic to a point where you can have a better understanding of it. The word freedom has been used for many hidden, destructive agenda's. Don't fall into this trap. Don't be a follower, be a constructive creator. If you can't be a constructive creator follow other constructive creator's not destructive criminals. The above mentioned yard stick should be your guideline.

When you read all this to the end I must applaud you. Most people don't get any further than the title. If the title gives them a kick they might read a few lines. When these few lines don't arouse their emotions they will drop the entire subject and look somewhere else for their information kick.

We live in a world where information must arouse emotional response or it will be disregarded. This is programmed in us by design.

The powers that be want us to be emotional so we don't think logical thoughts. It's all about keeping mankind enslaved so they can remain in power.

Your core essence is free, has always been free and will always be free. Striving for freedom is striving for what you essentially already are. To overcome restrictions to gain a feeling of freedom is what life is all about.