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Conclusion 結論

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Our freedom today was redeemed by the Lord Jesus Christ with his very life.

Our freedom must also be kept away from the destruction of the evil ones.

Only then, we can pass it on to our descendants.

【士 Judg 3:1~4】

Reflections:

1. Knowing Christ, the life giving Lord, is the only way that can truly keep us free and make the republic work. The freedom and independence is constantly at risk of being devoured. Do you agree with this statement? If so, how do we guard our freedom and our independence? 認識基督，這位給我們生命的主，是真正能夠給我們自由，真正讓美國這個共和國能夠存在的唯一方法。這個自由和獨立，隨時有可能被搶走。你同意這樣的說法嗎？若你同意，那麼，你覺得應該如何來保守我們的自由和獨立？

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