

Freedom for the Taking

Nobody asked but ...

It is so rare as to be inconceivable that a person's present condition cannot be traced back to a choice. Nor do I know of any cases of someone accepting total enslavement voluntarily.

Let's take a well-illustrated example, **Spartacus**. Although the early life of Spartacus is unclear, it seems a given that his eventual role as a gladiator was arrived at through life choices made by him. Then he chose, along with others, to rebel against his servitude. And his eventual experiences were a direct result of all the choices he had made.

Happiness and/or success are not the guaranteed outcome of choosing freedom and self-determination. But suffering and/or failure are always the foreseen consequences of choosing servitude and other-determination.

— Kilgore Forelle