

**Live Free**  
Colossians 2:8-23  
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This week Paul Brandeis Rauschenbush wrote for the Huffington Post the following:

Hallelujah! 2013 may be the year that it became cool again to be a Christian.

So, congratulations. You are now cool. Then he goes on:

Given the last several decades of political domination of Christianity by a coalition that described themselves as 'the religious right', it is hard to remember that there was a time in the 20th century when Christians were cool and spoke with a powerful, prophetic voice to the major issues of our day. . . .

[Scott preached without manuscript on this Sunday, so watch the video to learn more about how our progressive faith sets us free.]