

THEME of GALATIANS:

Salvation

by Grace

Through Faith

# Galatians 5:1-6, 13-15

It was for freedom  
that Christ set us free;  
therefore keep standing firm  
and do not be subject again  
to a yoke of slavery.

Behold I, Paul, say to you  
that if you receive circumcision,  
Christ will be of no benefit to you.

And I testify again to every man  
who receives circumcision,  
that he is under obligation  
to keep the whole Law.  
You have been severed  
from Christ,  
you who are seeking  
to be justified by law;  
you have fallen from grace.

For we through the Spirit,  
by faith, are waiting  
for the hope of righteousness.  
For in Christ Jesus neither  
circumcision nor uncircumcision  
means anything,  
but faith working through love.  
You were running well;  
who hindered you  
from obeying the truth?

For you were called to freedom,  
brethren; only *do not turn* your  
freedom into an opportunity for the  
flesh, but through love  
serve one another.

For the whole Law is fulfilled in one  
word, in the *statement*,  
"YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR  
NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF."

But if you bite and  
devour one another,  
take care that you are not  
consumed by one another.



# Galatians

The Salutation, 1:1-5

The Defection From Salvation By  
Grace, Through Faith, 1:6-10.



# Galatians

The Defense of Salvation by Grace,  
through Faith, 1:11-4:31.

The Results of Salvation by Grace  
Through Faith, 5:1 – 6:10.

Responsible Liberty, 5:1-15.

# Responsible Liberty, 5:1 -- 15.

- Paul's Command Concerning Liberty, 1.

The basis for the command:

The statement of the command:

Positively...

Negatively...

# Responsible Liberty, 5:1 -- 15.

- Paul's Concern For Their Liberty, 2-4.

Two Conditions...

Four Results:

- Christ will be of no benefit!
- Must keep the whole Law.
- You are severed from Christ!
- You have fallen from Grace!

# Responsible Liberty, 5:1 -- 15.

- Paul's Challenge Concerning Their Liberty, 5-9.
- Paul's Confidence Concerning Their Liberty, 10-12.

# Responsible Liberty, 5:1 -- 15.

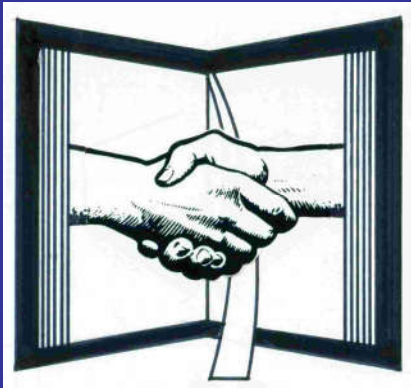
- Paul's Control Concerning Their Liberty, 13-15.
  - ✓ Their Calling!
  - ✓ The abuse of Liberty.
  - ✓ The proper use of Liberty.
  - ✓ The danger of Liberty.

# LESSONS FROM PAUL...

1. Even though legalism may be well-intentioned, it leads to dangerous and harmful attitudes and results.
2. We must be careful to not diminish the amazing grace of God!

# LESSONS FROM PAUL...

3. Christians should and must have “standards,” but we must not turn those standards into legalistic rules.
4. Even a Christian who starts well can be deceived and confused even about the very gospel by which they were saved!



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