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# Study 8

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## Galatians 5:1-15 | How to truly be free

### Get Talking

1. We talk a lot about freedom in our world today. How do people strive for freedom? What do people think freedom looks like?

### READ Galatians 5:1-15

2. Look back at 3:13 & 4:4-7. How did Christ set us free? What does it mean to be free?
3. Why did Christ set us free, according to 5:1? In the light of this, what is Paul's urgent appeal to the Galatians?
4. What does this tell us about the experience of Christian freedom?
5. How are the Galatians in danger of giving up their freedom in Christ (v2)? Explain how this would be a loss of freedom.
6. What are some of the problems with turning back to God's law as a measure of your spirituality (see v3-4)?

7. By contrast, how can we live with a sense of assurance in our relationship with God, according to v5?
8. Is Paul against God's law? Does he have a problem with things like circumcision and food laws? Why do you say so?
9. What is the "only thing that counts"? How does this relate to the law (v14)?
10. In what way is love the outworking of faith?
11. Paul pulls no punches in his comments about the false teachers (see v12). Why does he say what he says? Is it ok to speak like this?
12. Doesn't too much freedom give people licence to sin? How would you answer this from the passage?
13. Rather than using our freedom for self-indulgence, what should we be doing (v13)? In what ways have you "served others" lately? Or been served?