

Freedom (John 8:31-36)

So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, **32** and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." **33** They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?" **34** Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin. **35** The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. **36** So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

What is Freedom?

1. We are freed by.....

Luke 4:16-18

John 8:36

John 16:13

2 Corinthians 3:17

2. We are freed from.....

- A. _____ of sin (Romans 5)
- B. _____ of sin (Romans 6 & 7)
- C. _____ of sin (Romans 8)

3. We are freed for.....

Galatians 5:13

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Freedom in Christ - Galatians 5:1-15

Open It

1. If you took up running, would you jog for enjoyment or train to compete in races? Why?
2. Do you prefer group or individual sports? Why?
3. Do you like games with challenging instructions and rules, or games with simple instructions and few rules? Why?

Explore It

4. What challenge did Paul set before the Galatians? (5:1)
5. Why did Paul challenge the Christians to be resolute? (5:1)
6. What warning did Paul issue to the Galatians? (5:2)
7. How would turning to the Law obligate the Galatian Christians? (5:3)
8. What consequence would seeking justification by Law bring? (5:4)
9. How did Paul contrast legalists and true believers? (5:5)
10. How did Paul sum up the significance of circumcision? (5:6)
11. What really matters? (5:6)
12. How did Paul describe the Galatians' Christian experience? (5:7)
13. How had false teaching affected the Galatian church? (5:8-9)
14. Why was Paul optimistic about the Galatians? (5:10)
15. How did the Cross mark the end of the Law? (5:11)
16. What strong words did Paul have for the Judaizers? (5:12)
17. How were the Galatian Christians to use their freedom? (5:14)
18. What were the Galatians called on to guard against? (5:15)

Get It

19. What challenge does this passage set before your church?
20. What unnecessary rules and regulations do Christians tend to impose on one another?
21. What difference will it make if you run the Christian race with your attention on Christ?
22. How do some Christians abuse their freedom in Christ?
23. Who is one neighbor to whom you can show a gesture of love this week?