4. What do we learn about servanthood from *Philippians 2:5-7?* 

What keeps us from serving others in ways God wants us to? *II Corinthians 5:14-16* 

5. How has God always wanted His people to live for Him? *Deuteronomy 11:13-14* 

I Kings 8:57,58

Isaiah 29:13

John 14:21

6. How can loving one another be a powerful witness for Christ?

John 13:34,35

Galatians 5:14

7. Have you ever seen people in the church "bite and devour one another"? Galatians 5:15

What were the causes and how can we keep ourselves from being part of the problem?

## Taking it Home-

Spend time praying for each other and for people in your relational world. Read Paul's prayer in *Philippians 1:3-8* as you begin your prayer time. Prayer Requests:

"Use It, Don't Abuse It!"

Galatians 5:13-15

Freedom- Two Dos and Two Don'ts

1. Don't turn your <u>freedom</u> into an opportunity for the <u>flesh</u>. Galatians 5:13 a

"flesh" - the self-centered <u>desires</u> and <u>habits</u> of the old self

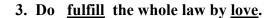
"legalism" – pridefully following rules to <u>please</u> God or be better than others.

"license" – selfishly living for yourself and not for God and others.

2. Do serve one another. Galatians 5:13 b

Luke 22:24-27

Mark 10:45



Galatians 5:14

Leviticus 19:18

Romans 13:8-10

## 4. Don't <u>hurt</u> people just because you <u>can</u>.

Galatians 5:15

Romans 14:14,15

*Ephesians 4:30-32* 

So what...

Are you using or abusing?

### **Sermon Based Bible Study**

Week of November 3,2019

#### What was your take-away from Sunday?

(A particular point, challenge, encouragement or question)

# **Getting Connected**

(A possible opening question to start your group) As we enter the Thanksgiving season (and this year's Thanksgiving banquets), what three things are you thankful for beginning with the letters A, B, and C.

#### **Going Further- Growing in Christ**

1. This is an easy and practical memory verse for this month "Bear one another's burdens, and thereby fulfill the law of Christ." Galatians 6:2

This week pray for Adama who is leading the mission to reach unengaged people groups in Burkino Faso, Africa. Also pray for the persecuted church in nations where persecution is extreme and violent.

Share something from your Personal Time with God.

2. Choose something you should do, but don't; or something you shouldn't do, but do.

Why do you want to sin in this way?

Galatians 5:13 a

How does your gospel freedom undermine that motivation to sin?

Romans 5:20; 6:1

3. What can we do for each other in helping us be more like Christ and be a compelling witness for Christ? *Hebrews 3:12,13*