

4. Since rule keeping isn't the way to God, what is?

*Galatians 5:5,6*

*Ephesians 2:8-10*

How are we to show our dependency on Christ?

5. Explain the difference between hope as the Bible defines it and hope as many people use the word today.

*Hebrews 11:6*

*Romans 15:4*

6. What is Paul's tone in *Galatians 5:7-12*?

Why does this issue move him so strongly?

7. Have you ever come close to losing your gospel freedom?

How did this happen?

What lessons can you draw from it?

*Galatians 5:1*

8. What direction are you headed now with Christ?

*Matthew 6:33*

### **Taking it Home-**

Spend time praying for each other and for people in your relational world.

Read Paul's prayer in *Ephesians 6:18-19* as you begin your prayer time.

Prayer Requests:

## **Set Free to Be Free**

**October 27, 2019**

### **“Really Free!” *Galatians 5:1-12***

#### **The Challenge to Live Free!**

##### **1. You have been set free, so now live like it!**

*Galatians 5:1*

###### A rebellious slavery

*Romans 6:15-16- “What then? Shall we sin because we are not under law but under grace? May it never be! Do you not know that when you present yourselves to someone as slaves for obedience, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin resulting in death, or of obedience resulting in righteousness?”*

###### A religious slavery

*Romans 7:6- “But now we have been released from the Law, having died to that by which we were bound, so that we serve in newness of the Spirit and not in oldness of the letter.”*

###### A relational freedom

*John 8:31-32- “So Jesus was saying to those Jews who had believed Him, ‘If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.’”*

##### **2. You can take steps backward or you can take steps forward!**

Trusting in any religious symbols *Galatians 5:2*

Trusting in obedience to God's law *Galatians 5:3*

Trusting in anything other than God's grace  
*Galatians 5:4*

### Steps Forward

Trusting in God's promise of righteousness *Galatians 5:5*

Trusting in God's promise of love *Galatians 5:6*

### 3. You can be deceived and your life really messed up!

Not everything you hear about God is from God.

*Galatians 5:7-8*

Be careful to stay true to what is true.

*Galatians 5:9-10*

There is such a thing as righteous anger.

*Galatians 5:11-12*

### So what...

Which direction are you going?

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

(A particular point, challenge, encouragement or question)

### Getting Connected

(A possible opening question to start your group)

What do you do or how do you feel when others cut in on you  
(in a lunch line, traffic, check-out line, or speaking)?

### Going Further– Growing in Christ

1. Keep working on the memory verse for October.  
*"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control; against such things there is no law."*  
*Galatians 5:22,23*  
This week pray for Ironwood Christian Camp as they reach Children, youth, adults and families with their ministry.  
Share something from your Personal Time with God.
2. What does Paul mean here by "yoke of slavery" in *Galatians 5:1* ?
3. When you first moved away from home, what did "freedom" mean to you?  
Free to do what?  
Free from what?  
How does freedom in Christ motivate us to do what is good and right rather than wrong?  
  
*John 8:31-32*  
*Romans 6:1-2, 11*