

## GOSPEL FREEDOM – GALATIANS 5:1-12

### SERIES: GOD'S GLORIOUS GRACE: A STUDY IN GALATIANS

<sup>15</sup> John testifies concerning him. He cries out, saying, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.'" <sup>16</sup> From the fullness of his grace we have all received one blessing after another. <sup>17</sup> For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

*John 1:15-17 (NIV)*

#### ➤ WHEN YOU ABANDON GRACE FOR THE LAW:

### 1. YOU LOSE YOUR \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>1</sup> Christ has freed us so that we may enjoy the benefits of freedom. Therefore, be firm {in this freedom}, and don't become slaves again. *Galatians 5:1 (GW)*

<sup>28</sup> Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

<sup>29</sup> Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup> For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." *Matthew 11:28-30 (ESV)*

<sup>14</sup> "My transgressions were bound into a yoke; by his hand they were fastened together; they were set upon my neck; he caused my strength to fail; the Lord gave me into the hands of those whom I cannot withstand.  
*Lamentations 1:14 (ESV)*

<sup>14</sup> For sin shall not be your master, because you are not under law, but under grace. *Romans 6:14 (NIV)*

### 2. YOU LOSE YOUR " \_\_\_\_\_ "

<sup>2</sup> Mark my words! I, Paul, tell you that if you let yourselves be circumcised, Christ will be of no value to you at all. <sup>3</sup> Again I declare to every man who lets himself be circumcised that he is obligated to obey the whole law. <sup>4</sup> You who are trying to be justified by law have been alienated from Christ; you have fallen away from grace.

<sup>5</sup> But by faith we eagerly await through the Spirit the righteousness for which we hope. <sup>6</sup> For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision has any value. The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.

*Galatians 5:2-6 (NIV)*

<sup>9</sup> For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, <sup>10</sup> and you have been given fullness in Christ, who is the head over every power and authority.

<sup>11</sup> In him you were also circumcised, in the putting off of the sinful nature, not with a circumcision done by the hands of men but with the circumcision done by Christ,

<sup>12</sup> having been buried with him in baptism and raised with him through your faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. <sup>13</sup> When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your sinful nature, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, *Colossians 2:9-13 (NIV)*

<sup>4</sup> You have been severed from Christ, you who are seeking to be justified by law; you have fallen from grace. *Galatians 5:4 (NASB)*

<sup>5</sup> For we through the Spirit, by faith, are waiting for the hope of righteousness.

<sup>6</sup> For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision means anything, but faith working through love. *Galatians 5:5-6 (NASB)*

### 3. YOU LOSE YOUR \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>7</sup> You were running well; who hindered you from obeying the truth? <sup>8</sup> This persuasion *did not come* from Him who calls you. <sup>9</sup> A little leaven leavens the whole lump of *dough*. <sup>10</sup> I have confidence in you in the Lord that you will adopt no other view; but the one who is disturbing you will bear his judgment, whoever he is. <sup>11</sup> But I, brethren, if I still preach circumcision, why am I still persecuted? Then the stumbling block of the cross has been abolished. <sup>12</sup> I wish that those who are troubling you would even mutilate themselves. *Galatians 5:7-12 (NASB)*

<sup>8</sup> For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith--and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God--<sup>9</sup> not by works, so that no one can boast. <sup>10</sup> For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. *Ephesians 2:8-10 (NIV)*

<sup>9</sup> For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup> But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them--yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me. <sup>11</sup> Whether, then, it was I or they, this is what we preach, and this is what you believed.

*1 Corinthians 15:9-11 (NIV)*

<sup>17</sup> For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. *John 1:17 (NIV)*