

We will begin with the fifth lecture of the book of Galatians. /The title of chapter 5 is "Freedom." / We will first look at the main subjects. / First, freedom from the law. / Verses 1-6. / Second, remove the yeast. / Verses 7-12.

/Third, serve one another in love. / Verses 13-15. / Fourth, follow the Holy Spirit. / Verses 16-18. / Fifth, the greed of the flesh. / Verses 19-21. / Sixth, the fruit of the Holy Spirit. / Verses 22-26.

/Read verse 1. / It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.

/Christ gave us freedom. / We were slaves to the law and ritualism in the past. / Also, we were slaves to foreign religions and world principles. / However, by faith in Christ, we received freedom from all of these.

/We now have spiritual freedom. / Therefore, we must no longer be slaves to the law or world principles. / We can enjoy spiritual freedom in Jesus. / We must walk in the way of spiritual life.

/The world where our born again spirits have freedom is the world where the Holy Spirit dwells among us. /Thus, spiritual freedom is in the Holy Spirit. /2 Corinthians 3:17 /The spiritual world is the world of truth and love. /There is also freedom in the truth. /John 8:32 / Therefore, we must live by the word of truth and enjoy spiritual freedom.

/Verse 2. / Mark my words! I, Paul, tell you that if you let yourselves be circumcised, Christ will be of no value to you at all.

/Some members of the church at Galatia observed the law to become righteous. / Hence, some tried to receive salvation through circumcision. / Man no longer has nothing to do with Christ if he tries to become righteous through the law.

/If man tries to become righteous by the law, the death of Jesus Christ would be meaningless. / If man can receive salvation by observing the law, Christ did not have to come

to this earth.

/Verse 3. / Again I declare to every man who lets himself be circumcised that he is obligated to obey the whole law.

/If one wanted to become righteous through the law, he would not only have to be circumcised, but keep the entire law as well. /This is because if he breaks even one of the law, he would break the entire law. /One cannot become righteous if he breaks even one of the law. /James 2:10 /Galatians 3:10

/Verse 4. / You who are trying to be justified by law have been alienated from Christ; you have fallen away from grace.

/If we are justified by the law, we do not need Christ. / We would be alienated from Christ if we try to become righteous by the law and receive salvation through it. / We would be cut from all blessings that God gives us through Christ. / Therefore, we must receive salvation through faith and only by the grace of God.

/Verse 5. / But by faith we eagerly await through the Spirit the righteousness for which we hope.

/Hope for true righteousness is faith in Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit. /We receive salvation through faith in the truth of the redemption of Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit. / Thus, we accomplish righteousness and hope.

/Verse 6. / For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision has any value. The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.

/There is no hindrance to one's salvation if he has not been circumcised in Christ Jesus. /There is no value if one received circumcision in Christ Jesus. /Therefore, one receives salvation through faith in Jesus, whether he is circumcised or not.

/Here, it says, "The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love." / Love and faith become the mark of living faith. / James 2:26 / Only faith that has life can make one righteous and give salvation. / Faith that has life overflows with love. / There are works of life.

/Verse 7. / You were running a good race. Who cut in on you and kept you from obeying the truth?

/The believers at the church of Galatia first learned the right gospel through Paul. / They ran the race of faith with the right gospel. /However, false teachers came to them when they were running the race of faith.

/Thus, the believers stopped running the race of faith. / Why did they stop running? / They stopped because the false prophets deceived them and led them to chase after the different gospel.

/They also left their spiritual faith and lived in flesh-centeredness. / What was the different gospel that the believers at Galatia received? / It was the gospel of circumcision. / Today, there are many different gospels. / There are many cults. / There is the New Theology. / There is also mysticism. / There is also secularism. / These are all different gospels.

/Verse 8. / That kind of persuasion does not come from the one who calls you.

/"The one who calls you" is God. / While running the race of faith, the believers were deceived by the devil. / The different gospel comes from the devil. /God always guides us according to the Bible.

/No matter how hard believers may run after they forsake the Bible, they will eventually fail. / Abandonment of the Bible comes from the devil. / God called us to walk according to the right gospel.

/Verse 9. / "A little yeast works through the whole batch of dough."

/A little bit of yeast in a batch of dough spreads through the entire dough overnight. / The “yeast” here symbolizes legalism and cults. / In Matthew 16:6, 12, / Jesus said that the teachings of the Pharisees were like yeast.

/The amount of yeast may seem small, but it later spreads through the entire dough. / New Theologies first enter seminaries through one person. / However, it eventually spreads through the students and even to the professors.

/Therefore, we must remove this yeast from the beginning. / A little bit of wrong thoughts will pollute everything. / Song of Songs 2:15 says, “Catch for us the foxes, the little foxes.” / The church must remove the small powers that secretly enter the church in the beginning.

/Verse 10. / I am confident in the Lord that you will take no other view. The one who is throwing you into confusion will pay the penalty, whoever he may be.

/The “other view” means to follow the different gospel. / It means to follow the right gospel, where salvation comes from faith. / A large number of the believers at Galatia turned to legalism. / Then there was chaos in the church.

/However, most of the believers did not yet fall to legalism. / Most of them still followed the right gospel that they learned from Paul. / Those who cause chaos in the church through different doctrines will receive judgment and curses before God. / Matthew 18:6, 7 / Galatians 1:8

/Verse 11. / Brothers, if I am still preaching circumcision, why am I still being persecuted? In that case the offense of the cross has been abolished.

/The apostle Paul did not approve even a little bit of the different gospel. / Hence, Paul continued to receive persecutions. / If Paul approved of the different gospel, he would not have been persecuted. / If Paul approved of the different gospel, his evangelism would have been done in vain.

/Then the Lord's salvation movement would have come to a stop. / God's works of life would have been halted. / The right gospel would have been preached in vain. / Here, "the offense of the cross" refers to obstacles.

/The cross appears foolish to those who do not believe. / 1 Corinthians 1:18 / It says, the offense of the cross. / There are obstacles. / 1 Corinthians 1:23 / 1 Peter 2:8

/Verse 12. / As for those agitators, I wish they would go the whole way and emasculate themselves!

/False prophets entered the church at Galatia and enticed the believers. / Thus, the church at Galatia became a chaotic place. / Here it says, "I wish they would go the whole way and emasculate themselves." / This meant that Paul wanted them to leave the church themselves.

/It is better to just separate oneself from the church if one does not agree with the faith and doctrines of the church. / If the church's doctrines do not agree with one's own, he must leave. / One must go forward according to what he believes is true. / We must not fight with other believers and cause chaos in the church.

/Verse 13. / You, my brothers, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love.

/Believers were slaves to the law and sins. / Now, believers have been liberated from their sins through faith. / They received spiritual freedom. / However, we must not take that freedom and turn it into an opportunity to indulge ourselves in the flesh. / Romans 8:1, 2 / John 8:32, 36 / 2 Corinthians 3:17

/We have been freed from sin, death, and the devil. / However, we must not take that and use it to indulge in the flesh. / The sinful nature here refers to filling up one's fleshly greed. / This is selfishness and egotism.

/We must not take up opportunities to sin in fleshly greed and in our sinful natures. / We received spiritual freedom through faith in the gospel. / That does not mean that we can

ignore the law. / We must follow the truth that is implied in the law.

/We must keep the commandments. / Why must we keep the commandments? / We do not keep the commandments to receive salvation. / We receive salvation through faith in Jesus. / However, we must not live however we want to after we believe in Jesus.

/We must live according to our greed after we believe in Jesus. / After we believe in Jesus, we must obey God's commands. / We must obey the Ten Commandments. / That is how we can enjoy spiritual freedom. / It is sin to defy the commandments.

/We become slaves to sin if we sin. / Therefore, we must obey God's word as believers who received salvation through faith. / We must also not force ourselves to obey. / We must obey with loving hearts for the Lord.

/There was a worker. / He was a very good worker. / He was good at farming and plowing. / There was also rich man who had no sons. / Hence, the master allowed the worker to marry his daughter.

/Then the worker worked more diligently after he got married. / He did not work only because his master told him to, but he offered to work harder. / He worked harder when he became the son-in-law.

/Why was this so? / It was because the worker loved his father-in-law and loved his wife. / All the inheritance in the house would later be his. / When we obey God's commands, we must not do so with the mentality of a servant.

/We must obey God's word as his sons. / God told us, "Love, evangelize, and pray." / We also pray in the early mornings. / However, we must not do this against our will, but we must do it voluntarily with loving hearts for God.

/Thus, it says, "serve one another in love." / Jesus became like a servant because He loved us. / Philippians 2:5 / 1 Peter 2:16 / John 8:34 / Therefore, those who love God keeps his commands. / 1 John 5:3

/Verse 14. / The entire law is summed up in a single command : "Love your neighbor as yourself."

/The main doctrine of the Ten Commandments is about love. / The first to fourth commandments are about love for God. / The fifth to tenth commandments are about love for one's neighbors. / In this way, love for God and love for one's neighbors together sums up the Ten Commandments to be about love.

/When we love, we keep the entire law. / Love is the completion of the law. / Romans 13:10 / When we love, we keep the law. / The world of love, the spiritual world, and the world of truth are alike. / The world of life is also alike.

/Therefore, we must serve one another and have faith to love. / We must love and serve one another, and that is freedom. Obedience to God's word is spiritual freedom. / There is freedom in the truth.

/Verse 15. / If you keep on biting and devouring each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other.

/Those who bite and devour each other will both be destroyed. / It is not God's will for us to fight and bite and devour each other. / That is how slaves of the devil act. / When we encounter problems, we must resolve them legally in the church.

/Whoever fights, bites, and devour each other will both be destroyed. / 1 Corinthians 6:7 / Even if we encounter injustice, we must not let it cover the glory of God. / We must make sure that our spirits and hearts do not face losses.

/The Bible says to give your cloak to anyone who asks for your tunic. / Even if we face materialistic loss, we must not face loss in our faith. / Then God will fill us up with blessings. / In Genesis 26:20, Isaac let others have his well.

/Thus, God gave Isaac better wells and better land. / We must love our enemies, and we must feed them if they are hungry. / Romans 12:20 / We must overcome evil with good. / This is love.

/Verse 16. / So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature.

/We must live according to the Holy Spirit. / We cannot gratify the desires of the sinful nature. / We can only overcome the desires of the sinful nature when we follow the Holy Spirit.

/Therefore, we must always pray to God to win over the desires of the sinful nature. / Do not try to win the desires of the sinful nature with your own strength. / Pray to God and win through the power of God.

/Verse 17. / For the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature. They are in conflict with each other, so that you do not do what you want.

/The sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit. / The Spirit is contrary to the sinful nature. / The desires of the sinful nature and the Spirit do not agree with each other. / There is conflict.

/In Romans 7:24, / we can see that Paul struggled internally. / We want to conquer our sins. / However, we fail and fall because of our greed and sins.

/When this happens, we must fight sin and greed and overcome by the grace of the Holy Spirit. / We must enter the spiritual world and receive guidance from the Holy Spirit. / Then we will overcome the greed of the flesh.

/Verse 18. / But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under law.



/When we follow the Holy Spirit, we surpass the law. / When believers follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit, they are freed from the law. / Also, we must now obey God's word with love. / We must follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit. / We must bear fruit of the Spirit.

/Verse 19. / The acts of the sinful nature are obvious : sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery;

/Here, acts of the sinful nature refer to greed and corruption. / Sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery refer to sexual sins. / "Sexual immorality" includes all perverse acts, which include adultery. / "Impurity" refers to anything that is sexually unclean.

/Next, "debauchery" refers to illegal and blatant behavior. / The world has become wicked and perverse in the Last Days. / We must make sure that we do not fall to these sins.

/Those who receive God's wrath will fall to the sin of immorality. / How can we win over sexual immorality? / We must avoid it. / 1 Corinthians 6:18, 19, 20

/We must overcome these sins daily. / Our hearts must be filled with the Holy Spirit. / It says that desire, or greed, gives birth sin, and sin gives birth to death. / Therefore, we must remove greed from our hearts.

/Verse 20. / idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions

/Idolatry is the act of serving an idol that is created in a certain image. / What idols are there today? / They are anything that we love or are controlled by more than God. / Idols are anything that we rely on more than God.

/Money, men, and power are all idols. / Education can also be an idol. / The biggest idol is one's self. / We must throw away idols. / Here, witchcraft includes fortune telling and seeing mediums.

/We must throw out hatred, discord, and jealousy. / We must love even our enemies. / Matthew 5:24 / “Discord” refers to fighting as a result of resentment. / “Jealousy” is to have a displeased heart when others do better than oneself.

/Here, it says, “fits of rage.” / James 1:20 / We must believe in God’s sovereignty and not throw fits of rage. / We must leave everything to God. / Next, “selfish ambition” is to unite through physical benefits. / There was a faction in the church at Corinth.

/“Dissensions” is individualism. / “Factions” means to go against the basic doctrine of Christianity. / It is the denial of the Trinity, / denial of Jesus’ physical and spiritual forms, / denial of salvation through faith, / and the claim that one is saved through his actions.

/Verse 21. / and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

/“Envy” is similar to jealousy. / People become jealous of things that other people have. / Next, it says, “drunkenness, orgies.” / We must not give in to self-indulgence. / We must not drink alcohol. / We must not get drunk off the world. / Revelation 17:2

/We did these things in the past. / However, we repented and believed in Jesus. / We became God’s children. / We cannot receive the inheritance of God’s kingdom if we do not believe in Jesus and walk in sinful ways of the flesh.

/If we do not believe in Jesus, but walk in the flesh, we cannot enter God’s kingdom. / However, when believers sin in these ways, they will be disciplined by God. / Such believers will receive salvation through their faith in Jesus, but they will receive shameful salvation. / 1 Corinthians 3:15.

/Verse 22. / But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

/Here it speaks about the fruit of the Holy Spirit. / Those who are led by the Holy Spirit will produce love. / Such believers will bear fruit of the Holy Spirit. / Love here is infinite love. /

It is agape love. / It is unconditional and sacrificial love. / It is unchanging love.

/We must receive the love of Jesus and love our neighbors. / God is the God of love. / Love is the best law. / We must love God / and our neighbors. / We must even love our enemies.

/Next, it talks about joy. / We must always be joyful in the Lord. / The Bible says to be joyful always. / We can always be joyful if we remain in the Lord. / Next, we must be people of “peace.”

/The peace that Jesus gives us is true peace. / The world does not know about this true peace that comes from the heart. / Next is “patience.” / We must remain patient in whatever hardships we encounter as we obey God’s word.

/We must not stop no matter what hardships we face. / We will face good days when we continue to be patient. / We must always remember that Jesus had patience for us. / Jesus had patience with the cross. / He endured pain and suffering.

/We must be patient like Jesus was. / Next is “kindness.” / We must be kind to others. / We must help others. / Next is “goodness.” / It is to do good.

/We must pray for others, / help with materials, / and lead them to the right path. / Next is “faithfulness.” / We must be faithful with what we were called to do. / When we are faithful in our works, we will complete what we were called to do.

/Verse 23. / gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

/"Gentleness" does not mean that we act however we want to. / It means to completely receive God’s guidance and words. / It is to obey the Lord’s commands. / Jesus was gentle and humble in heart.

/Next, “self-control.” / This means to be rule over oneself. / It is to control oneself. /

Therefore, we must always discipline ourselves and control ourselves. / I pray that you will remember these nine fruits of the Holy Spirit.

/You must receive the guidance of the Holy Spirit and bear such fruit. / There is no law that is against these nine fruits of the Holy Spirit. / These are all acceptable in all countries in the world. / There is no one who does not like these nine fruits. / These nine fruits are welcomed by everyone.

/Verse 24. / Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires.

/We died with Christ. / We now live with Christ. / We nailed our desires together with Jesus. / We must get rid of the greed of our flesh. / We must overcome greed every day.

/To do so, we must follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit. / We can win with the power of the Holy Spirit. / The cross is to die. / The apostle Paul said, "I die every day."

/We too must nail our greed to the cross each day with Jesus. / Then we must live by the Holy Spirit and bear fruit of the Holy Spirit.

/Verse 25. / Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.

/Believers do not live by the flesh, but by the guidance and inspiration of the Holy Spirit. / We must pray that we would live by the guidance of the Holy Spirit. / We must live by the guidance of the Holy Spirit, / act by the Holy Spirit, / be joyful in the Bible, / and bear fruit of the Holy Spirit.

/Verse 26. / Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

/Those who live by the Holy Spirit do not fight with one another. / That is because they hold onto God, / rejoice in God, / and find satisfaction in God. / There is glory, honor, and

compliments in God. / The world of God that we live in through the Holy Spirit is worthy and beautiful.

/The glory of the world fades and becomes like rotten soil. / Therefore, we must live by faith in the truth. / There is no need to fight over worldly things. / There are good things and blessings in God. / Therefore, we must live by the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

/Here, we will conclude the fifth lecture on Galatians. / Thank you.