

Main Scriptures: Galatians 5:1-12

For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

2 Look: I, Paul, say to you that if you accept circumcision, Christ will be of no advantage to you.

3 I testify again to every man who accepts circumcision that he is obligated to keep the whole law. 4 You are severed from Christ, you who would be justified by the law; you have fallen away from grace. 5 For through the Spirit, by faith, we ourselves eagerly wait for the hope of righteousness. 6 For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision counts for anything, but only faith working through love.

7 You were running well. Who hindered you from obeying the truth? 8 This persuasion is not from him who calls you. 9 A little leaven leavens the whole lump. 10 I have confidence in the Lord that you will take no other view, and the one who is troubling you will bear the penalty, whoever he is. 11 But if I, brothers, still preach circumcision, why am I still being persecuted? In that case the offense of the cross has been removed. 12 I wish those who unsettle you would emasculate themselves!

Scripture References:

Romans 12:1-2 – Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship.

2 Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

Hebrews 12:1-2 – Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, 2 fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

John 4:12-14 – Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock.” 13 Jesus said to her, “Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, 14 but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.”

Revelation 22:17 – The Spirit and the bride say, “Come!” And let the one who hears say, “Come!” Let the one who is thirsty come; and let the one who wishes take the free gift of the water of life.

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Galatians #15 – Galatians 5:1-12 – You Were Running Well

Main Idea: Coming to know Christ, can change your life and bring true soul _____.
Don't settle for mere _____ activity or moral _____ - _____,
They will leave you spiritually _____ and distant from God.

Galatians 5:1-12 Paul makes his case that Gentiles do not need to undergo _____.

5:1-6 If they choose the path of the Law over Christ then:

- One: They are on their _____ Two: Will Never Get to the _____
Three: The Savior will feel _____ Four: On the Wrong _____
Five: Wasting time on what does not _____

5:7-12 Paul then warns about the opponents: *Who hindered you from obeying the truth?*

1. You were running well, but they have:
2. Their message is not:
3. Their message is:
4. They will have to:
5. As to Paul, they are:
6. Instead of troubling you they should:

What do followers of Christ do to show their devotion to the Lord?

Think about how a Good Shepherd might keep His people (the sheep) from going _____?
He might build a really high _____ or instead He might build a _____

John 4:12-14 – What did Jesus offer the woman?

Revelation 22:17 – What are we invited to receive?