

## Galatians 5:1-15 “Now What”

Read Galatians 5:1-15

Consider the following questions:

What stuck out to you?

Were there any questions raised in this text as you read it? Were there any questions rolling around in your mind as Anthony walked through it Sunday morning? (Engage with the text here. God has something for us all.)

How do you see Jesus more clearly in or through this passage?

What might the Holy Spirit be leading you to address, change, think about, a place to go, something specifically to do?

We've been talking about freedom for a while now. In 5:1, Paul really makes a clear appeal for freedom. Talk about the implications of this verse for those who were hearing it for the first time. Also, talk about the implications for you if you were to really own this.

Is there anything that you find yourself still chained to. Honesty with yourself and your group is important. It may even be a good time to lovingly ask people to help you see any of your blind spots. Ask your group if there may be any blind spots you don't see. Don't get defensive. Let Jesus love you through their honesty.

Anthony talked about how sometimes we feel like we need more instructions than what we currently have. We don't like to live in confusion or ambiguity. Is there any confusion or ambiguity for you about being alive and free in Christ? Is there any fear that freedom will run you into anarchy and antinomianism? Why or why not? (look at verse 13 for comfort here). Feel free to openly talk about your “now what's” when it comes to leaving the law and lists behind.

In Christ, your life has been buried with Him and raised to new life in Him. Now, as we live, we live with Him inside of us (Galatians 2:20). That's a huge concept. The reality of Jesus living in you is that He wants to live His life through you. That's just as big of a concept. So, if Jesus is living in us and wants to live through us, He must want to love people through us. Paul shows us that Jesus wants to love people through us. (vv. 6b and 13-15)

If you desire a list of things to do, hear the Spirit tell you, “Let God love you and then let Him love other people through you.”

Spend the rest of your time talking about how you can *practically* follow the Spirit and let Jesus love people through you. **Jesus wants to love people through you.**