



**HOUSE** GROUPS

HOUSE Groups: Discussion Questions:

Galatians 5:1-13

**(Memory Verse)**

**Galatians 5:13** NKJV - *For you, brethren, have been called to liberty; only do not [use] liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.*

**(Galatians 5:1): 1** Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage.

**Question:** What does the phrase *stand fast* mean to you?

**Question:** How are we to *stand fast* in our faith?

**Question:** How does self-righteousness, and seeking to earn your way to heaven become a yoke of bondage?

**(Galatians 5:2-4): 2** Indeed I, Paul, say to you that if you become circumcised, Christ will profit you nothing. **3** And I testify again to every man who becomes circumcised that he is a debtor to keep the whole law. **4** You have become estranged from Christ, you who [attempt to] be justified by law; you have fallen from grace.

**Question:** How is it that Christ will not profit the self-righteous person attempting to earn his way into heaven?

**Question:** How does attempting to be justified by the works of the law estrange you from Jesus Christ?

**Question:** What is grace, and how does it work?

**(Galatians 5:5-6):** **5** For we through the Spirit eagerly wait for the hope of righteousness by faith. **6** For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision avails anything, but faith working through love.

**Question:** How does righteousness come by faith in Jesus?

**Question:** How does faith work through love?

**(Galatians 5:7-10):** **7** You ran well. Who hindered you from obeying the truth? **8** This persuasion does not [come] from Him who calls you. **9** A little leaven leavens the whole lump. **10** I have confidence in you, in the Lord, that you will have no other mind; but he who troubles you shall bear his judgment, whoever he is.

**Question:** What kind of things can hinder us as Christians from obeying the truth?

**Question:** How should we as Christians be aware of *wolves in sheep's clothing*?

**Question:** Why is it so important to address problems even when they're small, or in their beginning stages?

**Question:** How does the Lord deal with individuals that come into the church, and cause problems for the follower of Jesus?

**(Galatians 5:11-13):** **11** And I, brethren, if I still preach circumcision, why do I still suffer persecution? Then the offense of the cross has ceased.

**12** I could wish that those who trouble you would even cut themselves off!

**13** For you, brethren, have been called to liberty; only do not [use] liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.

**Question:** Why is the cross offensive particularly to those practicing self-righteousness?

**Question:** Who are the ones that have been called to Christian liberty? (Read Galatians 3:26,27)

**Question:** How do some Christians mistake Christian liberty as a license to indulge the flesh?

**Question:** How does the Christian's liberty to serve one another through love display itself through actions?