

09 – Galatians 5:1-12 – Real freedom

Do you think freedom is a wonderful thing?

Real Freedom

Galatians 5:1, “it is for freedom that Christ has set us free”

Gal 3... a freedom from the curse of sin.

Burdened again

... burdened again if they return to law keeping in order to be right before God.

... it will not work any more than following a false, non-existent god.

Stand firm

Stand firm... do not be tempted to give up on what Jesus has done and do not replace justification through the work of Jesus alone with things you need to do to make yourself right before God.

... if you let yourself be circumcised then you are obligated to obey the whole law.

Or no longer under grace

... alienates you from the work of Christ

... removes people from their salvation.

... no longer under grace.

Paul's wishes

“Faith expressing itself in love”

Faith = faith in Jesus to justify us.

Expressing itself in love = allowing the fruit of the Spirit

“emasculate themselves”

... how serious their false teaching is.

... unloving to allow teachers of a false gospel to go unabated and unchecked

Deut 23:1 ... no longer be able to enter the temple as eunuchs.

See also Isaiah 56

Is Paul preaching circumcision

verse 11.... Why does Paul say that some accuse him of preaching circumcision?

... when Paul circumcised Timothy, Acts 16:1-5

For us today

1) Heed the warning and be clear on the gospel.

2) Hope in Jesus