

## Galatians 5

King James Version (KJV)

**5** Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage. **John-8:32**  
(The truth sets us free)

(Jesus made us free. Don't let the doctrines of men enslave you)

<sup>2</sup> Behold, I Paul say unto you, that if ye be circumcised, Christ shall profit you nothing. (Circumcision no longer has anything to do with salvation. It's only useful for hygiene)

(If you go by the law alone and not by Christ's grace, you won't make it. We are all sinners and we would all fail by the law; without the forgiveness and salvation that Jesus gave us)

<sup>3</sup> For I testify again to every man that is circumcised, that he is a debtor to do the whole law. (There are no more blood ordinances and sacrifices after the crucifixion of Jesus. Circumcision was a part of the blood ordinances that Christ fulfilled for all time)

<sup>4</sup> Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace. (If you still sacrifice animals, and do not accept Christ, you won't make it)

(The law that Paul is referring to are the blood ordinances, not the Ten Commandments. Sacrificing an animal will not get you salvation from your sins)

<sup>5</sup> For we through the Spirit wait for the hope of righteousness by faith. (Jesus said – your faith <in Him> has saved you) see Luke-18:42, Mark-10:52

<sup>6</sup> For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision; but faith which worketh by love. (Faith in our Savior – Jesus Christ is our salvation)

<sup>7</sup> Ye did run well; who did hinder you that ye should not obey the truth? (Who steered them away from Jesus and salvation, back into the old blood ordinances? - since Paul left them)

<sup>8</sup> This persuasion cometh not of him that calleth you. (It was not from God. It was not from Paul)

<sup>9</sup>A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump. (A little false doctrine brought into a church will pollute the entire group. The leaven here is false teachings and false doctrines)

NOTE: (Look at all the sin and perversion that comes into our homes today, via the television and the internet)

<sup>10</sup>I have confidence in you through the Lord, that ye will be none otherwise minded: but he that troubleth you shall bear his judgment, whosoever he be. (He who is teaching you false doctrine will pay for what he is doing. He will be held accountable for all the souls that he misled)

NOTE: (If you set yourself up as a teacher or a preacher, you had better know what you're teaching. Only teach the true Word of God, chapter by chapter, verse by verse)

<sup>11</sup>And I, brethren, if I yet preach circumcision, why do I yet suffer persecution? then is the offence of the cross ceased. (If I preached the old blood ordinances, I would not believe that Jesus fulfilled our salvation on the cross)

<sup>12</sup>I would they were even cut off which trouble you. (Rather than circumcision, cut the whole thing off – this was actually a religious practice in those days)

(Paul was showing his frustration with their gullibility in following these false preachers who were pushing circumcision)

<sup>13</sup>For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another. (Jesus freed us with His covenant. Use that freedom to help others, and to live a good life)

<sup>14</sup>For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this; Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

Leviticus-19:18 (A brother is one who is born into the 12 tribes. A neighbor is an adopted Christian; one who converts to Christianity)

(The Jews looked down upon the Gentiles, even after they had converted to Christianity. That is against Jesus' teachings. God told Peter – call no man common)

<sup>15</sup> But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another. (This is a part of the ways of the world <dog eat dog>. It has no place in Christianity)

<sup>16</sup> This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. (God's Word will keep you on the straight path)

<sup>17</sup> For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. (The lusts of this world are driven by Satan and his ilk)

<sup>18</sup> But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law. (This is Paul's opinion. It is taken out of context by preachers who say that the law is obsolete)

(What is obsolete is the method of repentance through blood sacrifices. The law <Ten Commandments> is in full effect and will remain that way)

(The Law is our guide on how to live and do well. The forgiveness of Jesus for our sins is what saves us; not the law. We all sin. Without forgiveness and mercy from God, no one would make the cut)

Matthew-5"18 (Jesus said - "For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled")

<sup>19</sup> Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, (These are against the Ten Commandments)

<sup>20</sup> Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, (These are against the 10 commandments)

<sup>21</sup> Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God. (These are against the Ten Commandments. There is neither any change nor an end to the law)

<sup>22</sup> But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, (longsuffering = patience)

<sup>23</sup> Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. (The law is in full agreement with healthy Christian behavior)

<sup>24</sup> And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts. (Spiritually speaking, Christians have nailed the lusts of the world to the cross)

<sup>25</sup> If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. (Don't just learn the Word of God; live it in your daily life)

<sup>26</sup> Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another. (Do not seek the glories of this world – fame, wealth, adoration, etc. They are empty goals in the grand scheme of things)