

THE LETTER TO THE GALATIANS

A Bible Study Series
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THIRTEENTH AND FOURTEENTH SUNDAYS CYCLE C CHAPTERS FIVE AND SIX

Galatians 5: 1, 13 - 18
Galatians 6: 14 - 18
John 8: 31 - 36
2 Corinthians 6: 3 - 6

1. 5: 12 — how strongly Paul must have felt about this teaching to resort to such sarcasm! Have you heard preachers or catechists use sarcasm in their homilies and teaching? Is it effective? In what circumstances?
2. The freedom Paul preaches comes with significant responsibility (5: 13). How does your freedom in Christ help you fulfill the law of love?
3. 5:22 is the famous verse that lists the fruit of the Spirit. Is it significant to you that these virtues are listed together using the singular, not the plural? What is the significance for you?
4. The phrase, “a person will reap only what he sows” (6: 8), has been taken into common parlance, is almost a cliché. The verse has been used by some to justify ignoring the needs of those whose bad decisions have landed them in trouble. What considerations do you use when deciding to come to a person’s assistance or not?
5. If you can make the time, read the entire *Letter to the Galatians* in one sitting. After doing so, what is your overall impression; your understanding of Paul’s message?

