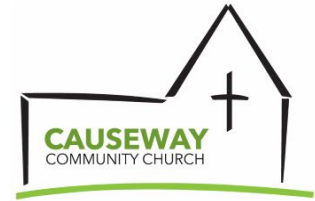


# **GALATIANS 5:1-12**

**SUNDAY 8th NOVEMBER 2020**



## **BIBLE**

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Ask God for help for yourself and the church as we read His word.  
Read Galatians 5:1-12

## **LISTEN**

### **SERMON BY SPENCER CRITOPH**

Follow the link in the email to listen to a sermon on this passage.

## **REFLECTION**

### **QUESTIONS AND NOTES**

- Do you agree that people generally have a sense that they are 'not good enough'? How do people try to make themselves 'good' by what they do?
- What is the slavery that Paul is talking about? (5:1-6) What are the consequences of this? (5:2-4)
  - What is the heart of this issue?
  - Describe the problem of the churches in Galatia.
  - Think about the description of a burden and yoke. How can trying to justify ourselves feel like a weight on our shoulders?
  - In what ways do people in church try to justify themselves?
  - In what ways do people who are not Christians try to justify themselves?
- Is circumcision itself wrong? See 5:6; 6:15; Acts 16:1-3
  - Why is circumcision a problem in these churches in Galatia?
  - What in our lives could be something that would be right or wrong depending on our motives?
    - What would make it wrong?

- What is righteousness and what do you notice about the righteousness in 5:5?
  - Is righteousness now, later or both? Think of what we have seen in this verse and in the rest of Galatians.
    - What impact does this have on us?
  - How do we gain righteousness (5:5-6)?
    - What impact does that have on how we live?
- Someone says to you 'if you are justified by God's work alone people will do what they like. No one will be moral.' How would you answer? (5:5-6)
- Paul says that there is an 'offence of the cross'. What is the offence of the cross?
- Paul uses some strong language in 5:12. Why do you think he speaks like this?

## PRAYER

### RESPOND TO GOD IN PRAISE AND PLEADING

Use the Lord's Prayer to help you structure your prayers. Pray in response to the passage, for yourself, the church and other

