

**FREEDOM**  
**Freedom From Judgment**  
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**Key Verse of the Series**

*It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery. Galatians 5:1 NIV*

*When Cephas came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he stood condemned. For before certain men came from James, he used to eat with the Gentiles. But when they arrived, he began to draw back and separate himself from the Gentiles because he was afraid of those who belonged to the circumcision group. The other Jews joined him in his hypocrisy, so that by their hypocrisy even Barnabas was led astray.*

*When I saw that they were not acting in line with the truth of the gospel, I said to Cephas in front of them all, "You are a Jew, yet you live like a Gentile and not like a Jew. How is it, then, that you force Gentiles to follow Jewish customs? Galatians 2:11-14 NIV*

*"We who are Jews by birth and not sinful Gentiles know that a person is not justified by the works of the law, but by faith in Jesus Christ. So we, too, have put our faith in Christ Jesus that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law, because by the works of the law no one will be justified." Galatians 2:15-16 NIV*

*For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 6:23 NIV*

*...a person is not justified by the works of the law, but by faith in Jesus Christ... Galatians 2:16*

**Justified Defined:** To be re-made in right standing with God. To be acquitted of all \_\_\_\_\_ . To be pronounced and treated as \_\_\_\_\_ .

*"Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them." Matthew 5:17 NIV*

*"But if, in seeking to be justified in Christ, we Jews find ourselves also among the sinners, doesn't that mean that Christ promotes sin? Absolutely not! If I rebuild what I destroyed, then I really would be a lawbreaker. "For through the law I died to the law so that I might live for God." Galatians 2:17-19 NIV*

*Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! 2 Corinthians 5:17 NIV*

*For through the law I died to the law so that I might live for God." Galatians 2:19 NIV*

**Key Verse of the Day**

*I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. Galatians 2:20 NIV*

**The Simplistic Summation...**

I have put to death my \_\_\_\_\_ of living and my own selfish desires, so that I might \_\_\_\_\_ for Jesus.

### The Personal Decision

- *"I have been crucified with Christ..."*

### The Personal Decision

- *...and I no longer live...*

*For we don't live for ourselves or die for ourselves. If we live, it's to honor the Lord. And if we die, it's to honor the Lord. So whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord. Romans 14:7-8 NLT*

### The Personal Decision

- *The life I now live in the body...*

*So whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord. Romans 14:8b NLT*

### The Personal Decision

- *Live by faith in the Son of God...*

### The Work of the Savior

- *...crucified with Christ...*

*But Christ has rescued us from the curse pronounced by the law. When he was hung on the cross, he took upon himself the curse for our wrongdoing. Galatians 3:13 NLT*

**Grab This!** — Jesus was cursed so that you could be \_\_\_\_\_.

*When we were utterly helpless, Christ came at just the right time and died for us sinners. Now, most people would not be willing to die for an upright person, though someone might perhaps be willing to die for a person who is especially good. But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners. Romans 5:6-8 NLT*

### The Work of the Savior

- *Christ lives in me...*

*Those who live only to satisfy their own sinful nature will harvest decay and death from that sinful nature. But those who live to please the Spirit will harvest everlasting life from the Spirit. So let's not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't give up. Galatians 6:8-9 NLT*

### The Work of the Savior

- *...the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me...*

*For God made Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for our sin, so that we could be made right with God through Christ. 2 Corinthians 5:21 NLT*

### The Bottom Line

God considers our lives just as if we never sinned, when we place our \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus and His work on the cross for us.

*And I saw a great white throne and the one sitting on it. The earth and sky fled from his presence, but they found no place to hide. I saw the dead, both great and small, standing before God's throne. And the books were opened, including the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to what they had done, as recorded in the books. Revelation 20:11-12 NLT*

### The Challenge

Where have you placed your faith?