

## **Born To Be Free**

**Scripture Galatians 5:1-13**

**Christ Has Set Us Free**

**5 For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.**

**<sup>2</sup> Look: I, Paul, say to you that if you accept circumcision, Christ will be of no advantage to you. <sup>3</sup> I testify again to every man who accepts circumcision that he is obligated to keep the whole law. <sup>4</sup> You are severed from Christ, you who would be justified<sup>[a]</sup> by the law; you have fallen away from grace. <sup>5</sup> For through the Spirit, by faith, we ourselves eagerly wait for the hope of righteousness. <sup>6</sup> For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision counts for anything, but only faith working through love.**

**<sup>7</sup> You were running well. Who hindered you from obeying the truth? <sup>8</sup> This persuasion is not from him who calls you. <sup>9</sup> A little leaven leavens the whole lump. <sup>10</sup> I have confidence in the Lord that you will take no other view, and the one who is troubling you will bear the penalty, whoever he is. <sup>11</sup> But if I, brothers,<sup>[b]</sup> still preach<sup>[c]</sup> circumcision, why am I still being persecuted? In that case the offense of the cross has been removed. <sup>12</sup> I wish those who unsettle you would emasculate themselves!**

**<sup>13</sup> For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.**

**1. Who has been called?**

**(Eph 2:10)<sup>10</sup> For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.**

**A. Freedom calls its citizens to look Opportunities.**

**B. Opportunities to influence our Communities.**

## **2. Freedom calls us to serve**

(Philippians 1:6 )

<sup>6</sup>And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

**A. Who or what are you serving.**

**B. To serve others I have to Prepare.**

## **3. Freedom call us to Love.**

(John 14:21 )

<sup>21</sup> **Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him."**

**A. God Almighty initiates a Love Relationship with us.**

**B. Love requires Action, as his obedient children we join him in his activity by loving all peoples.**

## **Conclusion:**

**If God almighty is active all around us we can see him working in our Communities what can you and I do to adjust our lives to join him in his activity?**

**Are we as a Church ready for what God is going to bring through our doors and what does that look like?**