

## Only Jesus! Law, Liberty & Fruit W/C 24<sup>th</sup> Nov 2024

Galatians 5 marks the start of Paul's advice on how to put into practise what he has taught in the previous 4 chapters. He explains that the Galatians should live in freedom; free from the shackles of the law and liberated in the fact that their belief in Jesus, and his finished work on the cross, was all that they needed for their salvation. So, what did this new freedom look like? How do they, and we, live in the light of that freedom today?

Welcome: How would you define freedom?

**Worship:** Spend some time in worship. Plan an act of worship that is appropriate to your group.

Word: Looking at God's word together:

## Galatians 5:1, 13-26

- 1. What were the distinct differences between the gospel that Paul preached and that of the Judaizers? (v.1-6)
- 2. How does the Law help us in our Christian lives today?
- 3. In what whys can we show love for one another today, especially in our current circumstances?
- 4. What kind of safeguards can we put in place in order not to 'gratify' our sinful nature (v16)?
- 5. How can we cultivate the fruit of the Spirit in our own lives?
- 6. What does walking by the Spirit look like in our lives today?

**Witness:** How does the churches view of freedom differ from that of the world?

## Prayer ...

- Pray that God will continue to build his holy character in your life.
- Pray that the church would an effective witness to the community.
- Pray for those on the mission field
- Pray for those attending the current Alpha Course
- Pray for Breakfast @ Bethlehem
- Pray for the Christmas Services