

Choose Wisely Galatians 5

1. A choice to serve <u>legalism</u>

2. A choice to serve my selfish desires

3. A choice to serve others in love

MY APPLICATION

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or small group.

- 1. How do you define freedom? Why do you feel this word is so confusing to us at times? Can a person truly be free from responsibility and accountability? Why?
- 2. Why is legalism a bad choice? Doesn't it seem that keeping the law would be the best thing we could focus on? Why or why not? See Galatians 5:1-12.
- 3. Can we choose to serve our selfish desires and the Holy Spirit at the same time? Read Galatians 5:16-18. What does living for selfish desires ultimately produce? Read Galatians 5:19-21. What does living for the Holy Spirit ultimately produce? Read Galatians 5:22-23.
- 4. Galatians 5 teaches us that God's plan for our freedom is that we would choose to give our lives to serve people in love. What are some of the ways you are following the Holy Spirit into this choice? What are some opportunities you have to serve people even more?

MEMORY VERSE

"You, my brothers, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love."