Finding Freedom: A Study In Galatians

"Grace In Action" Galatians 6:1-2

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Introduction: For the past few weeks in our study, we have been focused on what a life of freedom in Christ looks like.

- It Rejects Legalism
- It Rejects License
- It Embraces Holy Spirit Control
- 1. As we saw last week, when the Spirit is in control, the fruits of the Spirit begin to grow in our lives.
- 2. As Paul continues, he shows how that will impact our relationships. Relationships are one of the most important aspects of our faith walk.
 - We are to love our neighbors as ourselves.
 - The world will know we follow Jesus as they observe us loving each other.
- 3. As followers of Christ, we are urged to preserve the unity of the Spirit that defines the body of Christ.
- 4. There are more than thirty "one another" commands we are to practice in our relationships with each other. Despite this emphasis in scripture, a church is not immune to relational dysfunction.
 - Many of us have been hurt by our fellow Christians.
 - This needs to stop. Paul shows us how.
- I. A Hypothetical Situation
 - A. An Environment Of Grace
 - B. A Wayward Brother Or Sister

II. A Clear Respons

A. Who?

B. What?

C. How?

D. Why?

Conclusion: Think about how the church is perceived.

- Hypocritical
- Judgmental
- Intolerant
- 1. On one level, this is a Satanic attack & will persist.
- 2. In some cases, it is the result of our relational dysfunction.
- 3. The good news being this can change.
- 4. As our lives reflect grace in action, those perceptions can & will change.
- 5. So, instead of following in the steps of the Pharisees, let us follow the example of Christ.