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NO OTHER GOSPEL: STAND FIRM IN YOUR FREEDOM!

Freed to Love, Not to Live in Licentiousness

Galatians 5:13–15

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ENGLISH SERMON OUTLINE

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Galatians 5:13-15

Having established what Christian freedom is **from** (the slavery of the Law), our text defines what Christian freedom is **for**: "You are now free. Here is how you must live in that freedom." The actual outcome of salvation by faith is not licentiousness but love expressed through service. This is the true fulfillment of the whole Law.

[5:13a] OUR CALL TO FREEDOM. Freedom isn't a Private Right but a Personal Calling.

- Freedom is because of what God has done. We are released from the Law's condemnation and from the idea that God accepts us because of good works (Galatians 5:1; Romans 8:1-2). This is not a license for moral chaos, but liberation into a new identity: children of God, empowered by the Spirit (2 Corinthians 3:17).
- Freedom is a calling, a vocation. The word "called" is not just descriptive but prescriptive. When God calls you to freedom, He calls you into a way of life. Freed people do not drift; their freedom shapes what they do.

[5:13b-14] THE PURPOSE OF OUR FREEDOM. To Serve One Another Through Love.

- Don't use freedom to indulge the flesh. The "flesh" refers to the sinful inclinations that oppose the Spirit (Galatians 5:19-21). The temptation is: because I'm not under the Law, I can do what I want. Paul says, No! Freedom is not an opportunity to gratify sinful appetite.
- Use freedom to serve one another through love. Freedom is for service motivated by sacrificial, active love (agape). The Law is fulfilled when we love our neighbor as ourselves. Love is the ethical fulfillment of everything the Law demanded (Romans 13:8-10; Mark 10:45; Philippians 2:3-4).

[5:15] THE MISUSE OF FREEDOM. When Liberty Destroys the Community.

 A Christian has no license to mistreat people, especially fellow Christians. When the body of Christ turns its freedom into license to attack, the church loses its witness and its soul. The weapons of liberty become instruments of destruction (Ephesians 4:31-32; Colossians 3:13-14; James 4:1-3).

Final Thoughts

We were called to freedom. But that freedom is for love. It is freedom that looks like service. It is a freedom emulating the Lord Jesus, who, though He was God, took the form of a servant and gave His life for us (Philippians 2:5-8). There will be times when love costs you dearly. You may lose face, comfort, or convenience. You will often be misunderstood. But there is a glory that follows: deepened relationships, a witness that wins the world's attention, and the joy of living under God's design. ■

Sermon Notes



FILIPINO SERMON OUTLINE

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Pinalaya Upang Magmahal at Maglingkod sa Kapwa

Galatians 5:13-15

Ang tema ng sulat ni Pablo sa mga Galatians ay kalayaan na ipinagkaloob ni Kristo Hesus sa kanila mula sa pagkaalipin sa pagsunod sa batas bilang paraan ng kaligtasan (Galatians 5:1). Nagpakita siya ng pagtataka sa kanilang mabilis na pagbaling mula sa tamang ebanghelyo, at pagbalik sa kaligtasan sa pamamagitan ng gawa (Galatians 3:1-3). Paulit-ulit niya na ipinaalala sa kanila na walang maliligtas sa pamamagitan ng gawa, kundi sa pamamagitan ng pananampalataya kay Hesus lamang (Galatians 3:10-11). Nagpahiwatig siya ng tuwa sa kanilang pag-unlad sa kanilang buhay espirituwal (Galatians 5:7), ngunit nagpakita muli ng pagkamuhi sa mga humahadlang sa kanilang paglago (Galatians 5:12). Sa mga talatang susunod, kanyang ipinaliwanag na sila ay pinalaya ni Hesus mula sa pagkaalipin sa batas hindi upang abusuhin ito, kundi upang maglingkod at magmahal sa kanilang kapwa, na siyang tunay na diwa ng pagsunod sa batas.

1. ANG PAGTAWAG SA KANILA AY NAGPALAYA SA KANILA MULA SA KASALANAN AT KAPAHAMAKAN (Galatians 5:13a)

- Ang pagtawag na ito ay espirituwal na pagkilos ng Diwang Banal sa puso ng mga hinirang ng Diyos patungong kaligtasan - "For you were called... brothers" (Galatians 1:6; 1:15; 5:8; Romans 8:30; 1 Corinthians 1:9; Ephesians 4:1, 4; 1 Timothy 6:12; 2 Timothy 1:9).
- Ang kalayaan na ito ay mula sa tanikala ng batas bilang daan ng kaligtasan - "...to freedom..." (Galatians 5:1; 4:3, 9; Romans 8:2; 2 Corinthians 3:17).

2. ANG KALAYAAN AY HINDI DAPAT GAMITIN UPANG BIGYAN-DAAN ANG PITA NG LAMAN, KUNDI PAGLINGKURAN ANG KAPWA NA MAY PAG-IBIG (Galatians 5:13-14)

- Ang kalayaan mula sa kasalanan ay hindi dapat abusuhin ang grasya ng Panginoon upang malulong muli sa kasalanan -"...opportunity for the flesh" (Galatians 5:19-21; 1 Peter 2:16; Jude 1:4; 1 Corinthians 8:9; 2 Peter 2:19).
- Ang paglilingkod ay nakatuon dapat sa ikabubuti ng kapwa, na konkretong pagpapahiwatig ng maka-Diyos na pag-ibig

 "serve one another... love your neighbor" (Romans 13:8-10; John 13:34-35; Philippians 2:3-4).

3. ANG KALAYAAN AY HINDI DAPAT MAGING DAHILAN NG PAGKAKAWATAK-WATAK NG KAPATIRAN (Galatians 5:15)

- Ang kaligtasan sa pamamagitan ng pagsunod sa kautusan ay madalas nagiging sanhi ng pagkakaroon ng mataas na pagtingin sa sarili (Galatians 5:26; Philippians 2:3a).
- Ang ganitong makasariling ugali ang sanhi ng pag-aaway sa isang kapatiran, na siyang tunay na paglabag sa batas ng pagibig (Ephesians 4:31-32; Colossians 3:13-14; James 4:1-3).

Maging maingat tayo sa ating kalayaan kay Kristo Hesus. Sundin natin ang Kanyang mapagpakumbabang ehemplo sa Philippians 2:5-8. Maglingkod nang may pag-ibig. ■



WORSHIP WITH US AT GCF ORTIGAS

SUNDAYS

8:00 AM English **10:30 AM** English Auditorium B

3:00 PM Filipino 5:30 PM English Auditorium A

SATURDAYS

5:30 PM Traditional Auditorium B

WEDNESDAYS

6:30 PM

Ortigas Community Worship GCF Chapel, Ground Floor

Livestream is available during the 10:30 AM and 3:00 PM Sunday Services. The recording of the Traditional Service will be streamed on Sundays at 5:30 PM.

KIDS on SUNDAYS

10:30 AM

8:00 AM, Kids L.I.F.E. Sunday School 3:00 PM, Ages 2–6 • Toddler's Center 5:30 PM Ages 7–12 • 4th Floor

> Ages 2–3 • Toddler's Center Ages 4–12 • 4th Floor

All ages 13 and above, worship with your parents at the Auditorium

YOUTH on SATURDAYS

1 4:00 PM Youth L.I.V.E. Discipleship Gathering
For ages 13 to 20 • Fellowship Hall

YOUNG ADULTS on FRIDAYS

7:00 PM YA Fridays

For ages 20s to 40s • Fellowship Hall

BIBLE STUDY on SUNDAYS

9:30 AM Sunday Bible School (SBS)

Open to all • GCF Chapel

9:30 AM "Like Jesus" Youth Bible Study

& 4:30 PM For all high school students • Room B124

19:30 AM Men's Growth Group Express Open to all men • Room A107a

PRAYER HOUR on THURSDAYS

8:00 PM GCF Family's Hour of Prayer

Open to all • Online via Zoom
Zoom link: bit.ly/GCFHourOfPrayer

Meeting ID: 848 3227 7763 • Passcode: 984990

OUTREACH ON WEDNESDAYS

| 5:30 PM Ortigas Community Outreach Open to all • Fellowship Hall

TRUTHS ABOUT LIFE & DEATH

Share this with your friends and family who need to know Christ!

THE CHARACTER OF GOD

God is holy, pure, and just. He rightfully and righteously judges and punishes all sin.

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!" (Isaiah 6:3) "Who will not fear you, O Lord, and glorify your name? For you alone are holy."
(Revelation 15:4)

THE CRISIS WE FACE

We all have failed God's standard and face God's righteous judgment.

"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God..." (Romans 3:23)

"For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth." (Romans 1:18)

THE CALL OF JESUS

The Lord Jesus is God's only way for us to be forgiven and reconciled to God. He took the judgment for our sins on the Cross, and whoever comes to Christ for forgiveness, He gives new life and an eternal relationship with God.

"Jesus said "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." (John 14:6) "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 6:23)

"The Lord Jesus is calling out to us: "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." (Matthew 11:28–30)

WHAT MUST WE DO?

Come to the Lord Jesus for forgiveness and salvation:

"Lord Jesus, be merciful to me—a sinner. I believe that You are the Son of God who took the penalty for my sins on the Cross. I humbly ask You to be my Savior and submit to you as my LORD forever. Amen."

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT GCF ORTIGAS

QUESTIONS ABOUT GCF ORTIGAS?

Want to join a Growth Group? Looking to apply for church membership? Curious about the various ministries? Visit the new INFO HUB at the Lobby.

ARE YOU HERE FOR THE FIRST TIME?

We would love to connect with you after every Worship Service. Our pastors and team are excited to meet you! Drop by Room BM07 at the Mezzanine Floor or reach out to us at gcf.link/GCFWelcome

DO YOU NEED SOMEONE TO TALK TO?

If you need support or clarification on some issues, we are here to help. Call the GCF ERCC Hotline at 0917 532 7794

CHURCH LEADERS ELECTION 2025

Prayerfully consider who God might be calling to serve as Elders and Deacons/Deaconesses. Submit your nominees via gcf.link/Nominate

Biblical Portrait of Marriage 2

Saturdays

3 Sessions

Starting
Sept 20

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Fellowship Hall, Ground Floor Topics: In-Laws, Money, Sex,

Romance, Communication, Loyalty Open to all couples

Register for free via gcf.link/BPOM

Naomi Widows Fellowship

Sept 27 (Saturday) 9:00 AM – 12:00 NN Youth Center, 6th Floor

Topic: Hagar – The Woman Who Lost a Bottle but Found a Well

Speaker: Ana Luz Ong Register for free via gcf.link/NaomiFellowship

Designed for a Purpose: SHE Ministry and A Woman's Forum Collab Fellowship

Sept 27

2:00 - 5:00 PM

(Saturday) Room BM07-08, Mezzanine Floor

Guest Speaker: Mrs. Earl Beja-Paolo

Register for free via

gcf.link/DesignedForAPurpose

GCF Women's Conference 2025: Only Way, Truth, Life

Oct 11 (Saturday) 9:00 AM – 12:00 NN

Auditorium B, GCF Ortigas

Guest Speaker:

Mrs. Miriam Quiambao-Roberto

Open to all women Register for free via gcf.link/WomensCon

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OCTOBER 31 (Friday)

Reformation Day Conference 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM Auditorium B, GCF Ortigas Tickets now for sale: Php 500 each Available at GCF Ortigas, WordComm Church, and Heroes Church

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Pastor Jojun Loanzon Worship Ministry Assistant Pastor

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GCF Family's Hour of Prayer Testimony

Every Thursday night at 8:00 PM, the GCF Family's Hour of Prayer (FHOP) becomes a living witness of how our Almighty God hears and answers the prayers of His people. Pray with us, believe with us, and celebrate with us the power of our faithful God!

Testimonies shared in FHOP remind us that we are never alone in our struggles—God works in power as His people come together in prayer.

One such testimony is the healing journey of Dr. Poyen Pine, faithfully shared by his wife, Luz.

"When Poyen was first diagnosed with a mass in the colon, I immediately turned to God in prayer and asked the GCF family to intercede. As Scripture says, we are to make known our requests to God, so we claimed this journey as the Lord's hattle

The journey was long and filled with trials. Poyen underwent lab tests, PET scans, MRIs, surgeries, chemotherapy sessions, and even a heart bypass. In the midst of it all, we held on to the truth that God is in control and sovereignly orchestrating every detail of Poyen's journey. The Lord gave us peace that surpassed understanding, even as things unfolded in unexpected ways.

Surgeries went well, recovery was swift, and chemo treatments were completed without severe side effects. These were vivid answers to prayer and tangible signs of God's gracious care.

Today, Poyen stands as a living testimony—a display, a trophy—of God's marvelous love and grace. Truly, he is an answer to countless intercessory prayers lifted to our Heavenly Father by the family of God at GCF. May Jesus Christ alone be praised!"

Friends, this is what FHOP is all about—coming together as one family in Christ, lifting our prayers to God, and rejoicing as we see His hand at work. Join us every Thursday, 8:00 PM via Zoom (details in the Bulletin).

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