

PAUL'S EPISTLE TO THE

# GALATIANS

*Paul wrote a disclaimer to warn us that abusing or misusing our Christian liberty would bring bondage.*

# The Bondage of Freedom

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- I. To Indulge the Flesh - Hedonism (13a-b)

They speak great swelling words of emptiness, they allure through the lusts of the flesh, through lewdness . . . . While they promise them liberty they themselves are slaves of corruption; for by whom a person is overcome, by him also he is brought into bondage. For if, after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled in them and overcome, the latter is worse for them than the beginning. - *2 Peter 2:18-20*

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- I. To Indulge the Flesh - Hedonism (13a-b)
- II. To Exploit my Neighbor - Anarchy (13c, 15)
  - A. Love limits my liberty (cf 1 Cor 10:23-25)
  - B. Love accepts my brother (cf Rom 14)
- III. To Disregard the Law - Antinomianism (14)

**Our liberty in Christ is expressed  
in these ways:**

- I. Control of Self (13a-b)
- II. Love for One Another (13c, 15)
- III. Obedience to God (14)

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