# For Freedom's Sake

Galatians 5:1-6

"Here you have the true Christian life, one where faith is active in love. It expresses itself joyfully and lovingly and results in the freest possible service."

-Martin Luther

I. Stand Firm!

II. Hold Fast!

III. Wait with Hope!

### **Small Group Study Questions**

## Into the Bible

1. Christ's sacrifice bought our freedom from slavery, but slavery to what? Paul clearly thinks that sin enslaves humanity (Romans 6:16-18), but in Galatians it is the Law that holds us in bondage. What is God's standard of righteousness? (Matthew 5:48) How does this enslave us under the Law? (Galatians 3:10, 2:16, Romans 3:23)

In verse 5, Paul urges us to wait for the "hope of righteousness". How does this term apply to Christ himself?(2 Corinthians 5:21) Why do we need to wait?

# **Application**

3. Paul tells the Galatians that by seeking to keep to the Law they will sever themselves from Christ. To prevent this what should they do (and what should we also do)? (Philippians 2:16, Hebrews 10:23) Does our security in this depend on us however? (Hebrew 6:19-20)

### For Families

4. Talk with your children about why being good is not good enough to get to heaven.