

Galatians 5:13 New Living Translation

13 For you have been called to live in freedom, my brothers and sisters. But don't use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. Instead, use your freedom to serve one another in love.

Discussion/Journal Questions

When you think about the terms "freedom" and "independence," what thoughts, images, or feelings come to mind?

Read Galatians 5:13. Based on John's sermon this Sunday, what kind of freedom is Paul writing about here? Read Galatians 5:1-12 for a reminder.

How does this idea of freedom differ from the idea of freedom celebrated on July 4th?

Why do you believe people hesitate to put into action the command to serve one another?

In the sermon, John said that "Jesus uses our serving to change us." What changes happen to us when we serve? How have you experienced these changes?

How does service shift our focus away from being "me-focused" to "Jesus-focused"?

How does service deepen our connection to community? How can your group practice service together?

Who are you praying for to accept Jesus, and what specifically did you do this week to interact with them?

Who are you currently discipling, and what specifically did you do this week to help them know, love, and follow Jesus?

Who are you considering for future discipleship relationships, and what specifically did you do this week to interact with them?