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8. Read Galatian 5:1. This verse encourages us not to get tied up again and lose your freedom by trying to perform and earn our salvation. What tendencies in your thinking do you need to recognize to make sure you don’t get tied up and lose your freedom?
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