



“Breaking Old Chains”

HOPE GROUP STUDY - Week of November 30, 2025

Let's Talk & Pray

- What's something you used to believe as a kid that you laugh about now? After everyone has shared, pray for your time together.

Let's Read the Word

- Galatians 2:4,5; Galatians 4:8-11; Galatians 5:1; John 8:34-36

Let's Think

- Legalism is trying to earn God's approval rather than receiving His grace... What are some modern examples of legalism (rules, performance, image)? Why do people drift from grace to works so easily?
- Paul warns about “another gospel” - a distorted, counterfeit version of grace. How do we know the true gospel - the one revealed by God, not invented by man?
- Why do people want to “invent” a gospel instead of relying on the grace of God?

Let's Share

- Criticism is bondage you let others put on you... How can criticism or fear of others' opinions become a spiritual chain? How have you encountered this in your own life?
- Why did Peter change his behavior when certain showed up? What advice would you give someone who is chained to people's opinions?
- Are you more like Paul (standing firm in freedom) or Peter (Influenced by pressure)? What opinions seems to chain you?
- What elements of the world do you turn to (or used to turn to) to guide your life? (Ex: superstitions, fate/fatalism, astrology) Why is it that people want to turn to these? How does living like a son or daughter of God keep you personally from relying on the world?
- The crucified life means that Jesus died for us and the old us died with Him. What does it practically mean to be “crucified with Christ”? Why is this important to you in your walk with Christ?

Let's Grow

- What specific chain do you sense the Holy Spirit highlighting to you?
- How can you intentionally remind yourself to live as a son or daughter of God? Who in your life need to be encouraged with this as well?

Let's Pray

Pray for the chains reveals to break and pray over needs and over requests.

Upcoming Events at Hope

Dec 2 - Hope Sisterhood/Jingles & Jammies - 6:30pm
(Bring a potluck dish & \$15 wrapped gift for exchange)

Dec 14 - Christmas at Hope 9am & 11am

Dec 24 - Christmas Eve Services 3pm & 5pm