Message-Based Questions

Searching for Happiness: The Path of Service

Galatians 5:13-26

- 1. A missionary who had worked for many years with the children of a very impoverished community said, "I don't think anyone has ever had as much fun in life as I have." Can you relate to this? Share about a time when you experienced great happiness in serving.
- 2. How does our culture define freedom? How does this differ from what we read about freedom in the Galatians passage?
- 3. What two extremes does Paul warn against in this passage?
- 4. What is the purpose of the freedom we have in Christ?
- 5. What is the connection between walking by the Spirit, crucifying the flesh, serving, and the fruit of the Spirit?
- 6. How does serving influence our flesh? Our spirit?
- 7. Identify elements in this passage which hinder or facilitate loving and serving others. Which stand out to you?
- 8. Why do you think service is a path to happiness?
- 9. Which points in Pastor Rick's message particularly hit home with you? How will you take action on that in the coming weeks?