



# Free to Live

A Sunday teaching series at King's

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## Series Description

This series, from the book of Galatians, is for those who are wanting to live their life in a place of freedom; free from annoying & harmful habits, addictions, and free to enjoy life and relationships. We'll explain where this freedom is found and how you can walk in it.

## Dates & Themes

15th Jan	Gospel gone wrong
22nd Jan	From terrorist to evangelist
5th Feb	Good News for all, including the poor
12th Feb	The life I now live
19th Feb	The key to spiritual life
26th Feb	Promised, paid & delivered
5th Mar	Slaves & orphans to sons & daughters
12th Mar	Old habits die hard
19th Mar	True freedom to love others
2nd Apr	A new way of living
9th Apr	Generous hearted living

## Recommended Reading

[Tim Keller](#) | [Galatians For You](#)

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**LIFE Groups:** Learning, Integration, Friendship, Everyone a witness

# Title: IS JESUS ENOUGH?

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Bible Reference: Galations 2:1-10

## Overview

Paul is writing to churches in Galatia, where the message of Jesus is getting twisted by people coming in and saying, Jesus isn't enough; that you need to be circumcised if you're going to be saved (see Acts 15:1). Circumcision was a physical sign of the covenant that God made to Abraham. That through him 'all the people on earth will be blessed' (Gen 12:3); that God was going to restore what had been lost through the fall (Gen 3) through Abraham and his 'seed' (Gen 12:7) which is Jesus (Gal 3:16). Jesus both fulfils & supersedes the Old Covenant, and now it is in Jesus that all the nations experience God's blessing. With the New Covenant, comes a new sign, as people are baptised 'into Christ'; which shouts "Jesus is enough"; that we are saved by grace, through faith and it's all a gift from God that we receive with gratitude but which we contribute nothing to (Eph 2:8-9).

## Main points

The freedom we have in Christ is that we are totally forgiven, loved, accepted, adopted, redeemed, blameless and righteous in Gods sight (Justified)! We are free from dependence on any of our good-works to make ourselves right before God; we are given the gift of relationship with God not based on our performance but on Christs performance for us. This is why Jesus is such good news!

We now live out from this place of being loved, being accepted, as we are, not as we should be or as we could be. This will produce joy (blessed), humility (because it's not based on us), gratitude (Col 1:12-14) and lead to increasing holiness in our lives (Titus 2:11-12); as we experience freedom from judgment, sin, guilt and shame; and are clothed with his power to live the life Jesus calls us to.

Yet Paul writes this letter and is astonished they are listening to a false gospel and moving away from the message of grace (Gal 1:6-7). While circumcision is not likely the temptation we face, do we ever find ourselves saying things like "God will love me if.....; accept me when.....; be pleased with me if I.....; forgive me if.....", fill in the blanks. These are signs that we are moving away from the message of grace, rather than living in the goodness of it. It is SO important we don't add to the good news that Jesus is enough. His work is enough. There is nothing I can do to make God love me more and nothing I can do to make God love me less!

## Questions

- When you think about freedom what do you think about? What do you want to be free from? What do you want to be free to do?
- If people 'spied' on our lives as followers of Christ – what would they see? Would they see us enjoying (being blessed) the freedom we have in Christ or are we adding to the good news?
- How do we live in the freedom of Christ & grow in our enjoyment of it? What sort of fruit should we expect to see if we are?