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Why are we here?

- Learn from . . .
- Live by . . .
- Lead with God's Word
- To follow Ezra's example: "For Ezra had set his heart to study the law of the Lord, and to practice it, and to teach His statutes and ordinances in Israel."  
(Ezra 7:10)



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Imagine if every guy in this room was spending time in God's Word every day:

- Determine the context
- Gather the clues
- Compare and contrast Scripture with Scripture
- Consult outside sources
- Draw your conclusions
- Commit to take action



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To review:

- Galatians 1-2: Paul's Defense of his Apostleship (Personal)
- Galatians 3-4: Justification by Faith (Doctrinal)
- Galatians 5-6: Walk by the Spirit (Practical)



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An overview of Galatians 5-6:

- The limitations of the law (5:1-12)
- The difference between liberty and license (5:13-26)
- The responsibility of liberty (6:1-10)
- Conclusion (6:11-18)



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## The limitations of the law (5:1-12)

- The law enslaves us (1-2)
- The law obligates us to fulfill all of its requirements (3)
- The law alienates us from the blessings of Christ (4-6)
- The law hinders our growth (7-10)
- The law removes the offense of the cross (11-12)



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“More simply, to add circumcision is to lose Christ, to seek to be justified by the law is to fall from grace. You cannot have it both ways. It is impossible to receive Christ, thereby acknowledging that you cannot save yourself, and then receive circumcision, thereby claiming that you can. You have got to choose between a religion of law and a religion of grace, between Christ and circumcision. You cannot add circumcision (or anything else, for that matter) to Christ as necessary to salvation, because Christ is sufficient for salvation in Himself. If you add anything to Christ, you lose Christ. Salvation is in Christ alone by grace alone through faith alone.”

(John Stott)



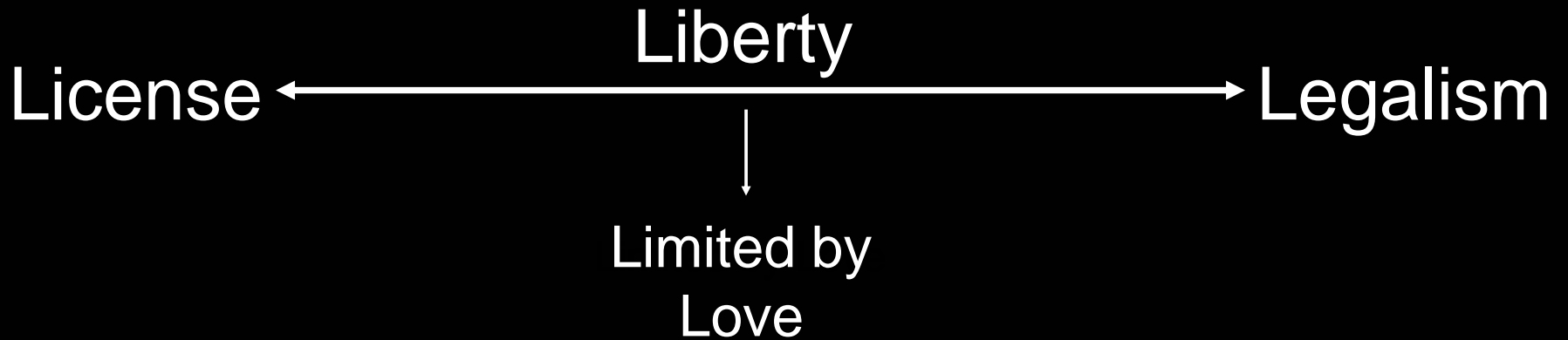


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The difference between license and liberty (5:13-26)

- Fruit of the license/living in the flesh (13-21)
- Fruit of the liberty/living by the Spirit (22-26)

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The responsibility of liberty toward . . .  
(6:1-10)

- Struggling believers (6:1-5)
- Spiritual leaders (6:6-9)
- All people; especially believers (6:10)



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## Conclusion (6:11-18)

- “But may it never be that I should boast, except in the cross of Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.” (Galatians 6:14)



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## Group Activity

- List the different roles you play (husband, father, friend, etc.). What type of fruit are you producing within each of those roles? Be specific as to why. What changes do you need to make?