

40 Days of Creativity week 3

Freedom to serve

Creative ways to serve our Church

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Faith in Christ:

1. Brings us true freedom

"So Christ has truly set us free." Galatians 5:1a

2. Means we have God the Holy Spirit living within us

"And when you believed in Christ, he identified you as his own by giving you the Holy Spirit, whom he promised long ago." Ephesians 1:13b

3. Allows the Holy Spirit to lead us away from sinful patterns of life

"So I say, let the Holy Spirit guide your lives. Then you won't be doing what your sinful nature craves. The sinful nature wants to do evil, which is just the opposite of what the Spirit wants. And the Spirit gives us desires that are the opposite of what the sinful nature desires. These two forces are constantly fighting each other, so you are not free to carry out your good intentions." Gal 5:16-17

4. Frees us from the obligation to do

"But when you are directed by the Spirit, you are not under obligation to the law of Moses." Gal 5:18

"Now make sure that you stay free, and don't get tied up again in slavery to the law." Gal 5:1b

5. Frees us to love one another

"For when we place our faith in Christ Jesus, there is no benefit in being circumcised or uncircumcised. What is important is faith expressing itself in love." Gal 5:6

6. Frees us to express our love by serving one another

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See John 13:1-17 Jesus example

"And I have been a constant example of how you can help those in need by working hard. You should remember the words of the Lord Jesus: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" Acts 20:35