



It's a New Thing, Not Just a New Twist on the Old

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For when we place our faith in Christ Jesus . . . what is important is faith expressing itself in love. – Galatians 5:1-14 (6)

Jesus Changed Everything . . .

The Old vs. The New (Religion vs. The Jesus Movement)

Old Ways Die Hard . . .

Paul's Fury over a Little Leaven . . . Gal. 5

- What Happened to _____ . . . (v.1)
- The Only Thing that _____ . . . (v.6)
- A Small Dose of the _____ Corrupts the _____ . . . (v.7-12)
- This _____ . . . (v.13-14)

Now What?

What does _____ ?

_____ is one person you need to do a better job of loving?

Truth for Life

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(Questions and Scriptures for further study)

1. Has your experience with church up until now emphasized rules or freedom? How has that emphasis influenced the way you view God?
2. Have you ever met a person who seemed truly free in his or her relationship with Jesus? If so, what did that person's relationships with other people look like?
3. Read Galatians 5:1–4. In what ways do you find yourself trying to be justified to God through rules (the law) instead of through Jesus? Why is it so tempting to try to earn God's favor by following rules?
4. Read Galatians 5:14. Talk about the relationship between love and God's law. How do you think love provides more freedom to individuals yet still fulfills the law? What is one thing you can do this week to simply love God and receive his mercy and grace instead of trying to earn his favor?
5. Who is one person you need to do a better job of loving? What is one thing you can do this week to love that person? What can this group do to support you?

Memory Verse

A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. – John 13:34



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- What Happened to **FREEDOM** . . . (v.1)
- The Only Thing that **COUNTS/ MATTERS** . . . (v.6)
- A Small Dose of the **WRONG THING** Corrupts the **WHOLE THING** . . . (v.7-12)
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What does **LOVE REQUIRE OF ME?**

WHO is one person you need to do a better job of loving?

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