

Freedom: Don't lose it

Galatians 2:1-10

Freedom in Christ begins with an unchanging message.

Galatians 2:1-4

How is freedom taken away?

Galatians 2:4; John 10:1; Galatians 2:5-10

Why legalism can be appealing

Romans 8:1

Considerations for the week

Self-deception. Consider a time when someone convinced themselves that something was true when it was not the truth. When does this usually occur? What often results?

Reality check, v. 2. It can be difficult to stay on-course. How did Paul give himself a reality check? Consider the tools that are available to guard against self-deception.

Freedom in Christ, v. 3-4. Note the aim of the false brothers who spied on Paul. How is freedom taken away?

Legalism. Explain circumstances when legalism can be appealing.

How do people rely upon the law inappropriately, and what is the result?

Comment upon the struggle between cultural pressures and the truth of the gospel.

Concord, v. 7-10. The apostles reached agreement in service of Christ. How did it happen?

Choose now to accept their example to us as disputes arise in our body of believers.

Please use these considerations for personal reflection, small group discussions, and with friends and family.



There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

Romans 8:1, ESV

Scripture read today during worship:

2 Corinthians 9:7

Psalm 103:8-12

James 2:14-17

2 Timothy 1:8-10

Prayer today

Members will be praying for us during the service today and also during the week. Please email us at prayer@rtbchurch.org to let us know how we may pray for you.

Rice Temple Baptist Church

Today's order of service

Prelude, *In Jesus Name*

Call to Worship

Hymn 2 in the hymnal
Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Confession and assurance

Hymn 457 in the hymnal
I Will Sing of the Mercies

Hymn, *Friend of God*

Hymn, *Forever*

Offertory

Reading

Hymn, *Before the Throne of God Above*

Message

Hymn of response, *Grace Alone*

Benediction

Postlude, *Dwelling in Beulah Land*

Weekly events

Today after benediction, Cookies & Coffee, in parlor

Young adults fellowship, Monday at 6:45pm. Dinner and discussion for those in college or starting careers

Mom's Day Out, Tuesday and Friday, 9am – 2pm
pre-registration required

Wednesday

Dinner served, 5:30-6:30 pm – Menu: teriyaki chicken, rice, stir-fried veggies, salad, cake

Prayer, 6:30 pm in the prayer room

Ladies' international Bible class (Zoom), 6:45 pm

Sermon discussion on Zoom, 7 pm

Choir rehearsal, 7:45 pm

Will resume in the fall:

BLAST! Children's Bible study and fun

Kids' Music Class

Joy Program: conversational English classes, Bible study, crafts, handbells – will resume Thursdays in the fall

Young internationals Bible study, Saturday at 7 pm

Men's Bible study, every-other Saturday at 8 am.
Meets this week, July 26 .

Sunday morning

Adult Bible study, 9:30 am

Worship, 10:45 am

Children's Church at sermon time

The church office has information on events.

Phone: 713.559.6875 Email: office@rtbchurch.org

The office is open Tuesday - Friday, 9am-4pm

BLAST! Registration is now open for our children's program for the new school year.

CCSC Volunteers are needed to help with school supplies and clothing for needy children. Saturday, July 26, and Friday-Saturday, August 1-2. Contact the office for details.

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