

ESTABLISHED IN FREEDOM

What does real freedom look like? Not just the freedom to do what we want, but the freedom to live the life we were made for. In Established in Freedom, we'll explore Galatians 5 and discover that true freedom isn't found in chasing our desires or following the rules—it's found in walking by the Spirit.

This series will unpack how Christ has set us free from the weight of sin and striving, and how the Spirit shapes us to bear fruit that reflects a transformed life.

Each week, we'll lean into what it means to be rooted in grace, to break free from the things that hold us back, and to stand firm in the freedom Jesus won for us. Because freedom isn't a feeling—it's a foundation. And it's time to get established.

As you reflect and pray through each day, may your heart be anchored in the beautiful reality that your sufficiency comes not from within—but from the One who is always more than enough.

DAY 1

FREEDOM IN CHRIST

Reading: Galatians 5:1-15

As we begin this journey, let's reflect on what true freedom in Christ means. Paul reminds the Galatians that they were called to be free, but not to use that freedom as an excuse for self-indulgence. Instead, our freedom should lead us to serve one another in love.

Today, consider areas in your life where you might be misusing your freedom. Are there ways you can use your freedom to better serve God and others? Remember, the entire law is fulfilled in loving your neighbor as yourself. Pray for God to show you how to live out your freedom in Christ more fully..

DAY 2 WALKING BY THE SPIRIT

Reading: Galatians 5:16-26

Paul contrasts living by the flesh with walking by the Spirit. When we walk by the Spirit, we produce fruit that reflects God's character. Today, examine your life for evidence of the fruit of the Spirit.

Where do you see love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control? Where are these qualities lacking? Ask the Holy Spirit to empower you to live in a way that produces more of this fruit. Remember, staying connected to Jesus, the true vine, is essential for bearing fruit.

DAY 3

BREAKING FREE FROM SIN

Reading: Romans 6:1-14

Just as Paul warned the Galatians not to use their freedom as an excuse to sin, he reminds the Romans that grace is not a license for sin. We are called to consider ourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Reflect on areas in your life where you might be struggling with ongoing sin. Are there things you keep returning to, even though you know they separate you from God? Today, pray for the strength to break free from these patterns. Remember that in Christ, you have been set free from sin's power. Choose to live in that freedom.

DAY 4 THE POWER OF COMMUNITY

Reading: Hebrews 10:19-25

The sermon emphasized the importance of having people in our lives who encourage us and push us towards Jesus. This passage in Hebrews echoes that sentiment, urging believers not to give up meeting together.

Today, consider your spiritual community. Do you have people in your life who encourage your faith and hold you accountable? If not, what steps can you take to build those relationships? If you do, how can you be more intentional about encouraging others in their faith journey? Pray for God to strengthen your spiritual community and show you how to be a source of encouragement to others.

DAY 5

STAY CONNECTED TO THE SOURCE

Reading: John 15:1-17

Jesus uses the metaphor of a vine and branches to illustrate our need to stay connected to Him.

Just as a branch cannot bear fruit by itself, we cannot live fruitful Christian lives apart from Christ. Today, reflect on your connection to Jesus.

Are you abiding in Him through prayer, Scripture reading, and obedience? Are there areas where you've been trying to produce fruit in your own strength? Ask God to show you any ways you've become disconnected, and commit to staying rooted in Christ. Remember, apart from Him, we can do nothing, but with Him, we can bear much fruit.