



# STAND AND FIGHT

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## Stand

**Galatians 5:1** It was for freedom that Christ set us free; therefore keep standing firm and do not be subject again to a yoke of slavery.

<sup>2</sup> Behold I, Paul, say to you that if you receive circumcision, Christ will be of no benefit to you.

<sup>3</sup> And I testify again to every man who receives circumcision, that he is under obligation to keep the whole Law.

<sup>4</sup> You have been severed from Christ, you who are seeking to be justified by law; you have fallen from grace.

<sup>5</sup> For we through the Spirit, by faith, are waiting for the hope of righteousness.

<sup>6</sup> For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision means anything, but faith working through love.

<sup>7</sup> You were running well; who hindered you from obeying the truth?

<sup>8</sup> This persuasion *did not come* from Him who calls you.

<sup>9</sup> A little leaven leavens the whole lump of dough.

<sup>10</sup> I have confidence in you in the Lord, that you will adopt no other view; but the one who is disturbing you shall bear his judgment, whoever he is.

<sup>11</sup> But I, brethren, if I still preach circumcision, why am I still persecuted? Then the stumbling block of the cross has been abolished.

<sup>12</sup> Would that those who are troubling you would even mutilate themselves.

## Fight

<sup>13</sup> For you were called to freedom, brethren; only *do not turn* your freedom into an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.

<sup>14</sup> For the whole Law is fulfilled in one word, in the *statement*, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

<sup>15</sup> But if you bite and devour one another, take care lest you be consumed by one another.

<sup>16</sup> But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh.

<sup>17</sup> For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please.

<sup>18</sup> But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the Law.

<sup>19</sup> Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: immorality, impurity, sensuality,

<sup>20</sup> idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, disputes, dissensions, factions,

<sup>21</sup> envying, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, of which I forewarn you just as I have forewarned you that those who practice such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

<sup>22</sup> But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

<sup>23</sup> gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

<sup>24</sup> Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

<sup>25</sup> If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

<sup>26</sup> Let us not become boastful, challenging one another, envying one another.