### **The River Church**

# 50/50 Bible Study Challenge - Week 20

## **Galatians Chapter Five**

**Memory Verse:** Galatians 5:17 (NASB95): 17 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.

### **Talking points:**

Verse 1-6

- -What does the act of circumcision symbolize or stand for?
- -what is the yoke of slavery that Paul refers to?
- -How do we fall into the same trap as modern-day believers?
- -What does "Faith working itself through love" look like in your life and the life of the church?

Verse 7-12

Paul states "a little leaven leaven's the whole lump of dough"

- -What is he referring to?
- -Have you ever seen this happen in churches? How do we guard against it?

Verse 13-15

- -What does freedom in verse 13 look like?
- How does the freedom in verse 13 differ from the freedom of the world?

-In verse 15 if Paul isn't referring to physically biting and devouring. What is he referring to? Is it just as deadly? How do we guard against this?

#### Verse 16-21

- -What are some examples of your flesh and Spirit at war with one another?
- -How does it hinder you?
- -What can you do about it?
- -When Paul lists off the deeds of the flesh he warns that people practicing these things will not inherit the Kingdom of God? Is he referring to going to heaven? Or is he referring to Romans 14:17?

Romans 14:17 (NASB95): 17 for the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

-How do they differ?

#### Verse 22-26

- -How do we as believers experience the fruits of the Spirit?
- -What are some ways we can guard our hearts from the flesh and turn our hearts toward the Spirit?
- -After studying Galatians 5. What does living by the Spirit and walking in the Spirit look like in the believers life?