# "STANDING FAST IN CHRISTIAN LIBERTY"

## GALATIANS 5:1

1. **PAUL OPENS THIS CHAPTER WITH VARIOUS PICTURES OF THE LAW & VARIOUS RESPONSES TO IT (5:1-6)**
   1. **Pictures: "Yoke" (5:1) "Circumcision" (5:2-3,6) "The Law" (5:4)**
   2. **Responses: "Stand Fast" (5:1a) "Be Not Entangled Again" (5:1b)   
      "If Ye Be Circumcised" (5:2)   
      "Every Man That Is Circumcised" (5:3)   
      "Whosoever Of You Are *[Seeking To Be]* Justified By The Law" (5:4)**
2. **THE FIRST PROPER CHRISTIAN RESPONSE TO THE LAW IS ACTUALLY TWO FOLD IN NATURE (5:1)**
   1. **A Genuine Believer Will Accept The Messiah's Work As Finished**
      1. **The Nature Of Christ's Saving Work Was Liberation: *"Christ Hath Made Us Free"***
      2. **This Is Just One Of Several Angles On The Nature Of Christ's Saving Work**
         1. **In Relation To Satisfaction Of God's Wrath: *Propitiation***
         2. **In Relation To Man's Enslavement To Sin: *Redemption***
         3. **In Relation To The Penalty For Sin: *Substitution***
         4. **In Relation To Reestablishing Connection To God: *Reconciliation***
         5. **In Relation To The Mosaic Law: *Liberation*** 
            1. **Negatively: Not Liberty To Transgress Into Sin & Live Any Way We Want**
            2. **Positively: Liberty From Being Related To God Primarily By The Law**
            3. **Positively: Liberty From The Condemnation Of The Law**
   2. **A Genuine Believer Will Act In Accordance With Messiah's Work**