



## Week 1, Day 3

Dear brothers and sisters, if I were still preaching that you must be circumcised—as some say I do—why am I still being persecuted? If I were no longer preaching salvation through the cross of Christ, no one would be offended. I just wish that those troublemakers who want to mutilate you by circumcision would mutilate themselves.

For you have been called to live in freedom, my brothers and sisters. But don't use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. Instead, use your freedom to serve one another in love. For the whole law can be summed up in this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself." But if you are always biting and devouring one another, watch out! Beware of destroying one another.

### **Galatians 5:11-15**

At The Ridge, our mission is to *help people find and follow Jesus*. As you read the next portion of this devotional, consider the **FIND** comments if you are exploring faith or helping others explore their faith. Use the **FOLLOW** section to help you take steps if you are currently following Jesus.

**FIND:** In your relationships, how do you destroy instead of build up? How can you change this?

**FOLLOW:** We are called to live in freedom. Identify a time you were persecuted for telling the truth.