### New American Standard WALK BY THE SPIRIT

- It was for freedom that Christ set us free; therefore keep standing firm and do not be subject again to a yoke of slavery.
- 2. Behold I, Paul, say to you that if you receive circumcision, Christ will be of no benefit to you.
- 3. And I testify again to every man who receives circumcision, that he is under obligation to keep the whole Law.
- 4. You have been severed from Christ, you who are seeking to be justified by law; you have fallen from grace.
- 5. For we through the Spirit, by faith, are waiting for the hope of righteousness.
- For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision means anything, but faith working through love.

### New International

- It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.
- 2. Mark my words! I, Paul, tell you that if you let yourselves be circumcised, Christ will be of no value to you at all.
- Again I declare to every man who lets himself be circumcised that he is obligated to obey the whole law.
- You who are trying to be justified by law have been alienated from Christ; you have fallen away from grace.
- 5. But by faith we eagerly await through the Spirit the righteousness for which we hope.
- For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision has any value. The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.

#### New King James CHRISTIAN LIBERTY

- 1. Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage.
- 2. Indeed I, Paul, say to you that if you become circumcised, Christ will profit you nothing.
- 3. And I testify again to every man who becomes circumcised that he is a debtor to keep the whole law.
- 4. You have become estranged from Christ, you who attempt to be justified by law; you have fallen from grace.
- 5. For we through the Spirit eagerly wait for the hope of righteousness by faith.
- 6. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision avails anything, but faith working through love.

# New Living FREEDOM IN CHRIST

- 1. So Christ has truly set us free. Now make sure that you stay free, and don't get tied up again in slavery to the law.
- 2. Listen! I, Paul, tell you this: If you are counting on circumcision to make you right with God, then Christ will be of no benefit to you.
- I'll say it again. If you are trying to find favor with God by being circumcised, you must obey every regulation in the whole law of Moses.
- 4. For if you are trying to make yourselves right with God by keeping the law, you have been cut off from Christ! You have fallen away from God's grace.
- 5. But we who live by the Spirit eagerly wait to receive by faith the righteousness God has promised to us.
- For when we place our faith in Christ Jesus, there is no benefit in being circumcised or being uncircumcised. What is important is faith expressing itself in love.

### **New American Standard**

- 7. You were running well; who hindered you from obeying the truth?
- 8. This persuasion did not come from Him who calls you.
- 9. A little leaven leavens the whole lump of dough.
- 10. I have confidence in you in the Lord that you will adopt no other view; but the one who is disturbing you will bear his judgment, whoever he is.
- 11. But I, brethren, if I still preach circumcision, why am I still persecuted? Then the stumbling block of the cross has been abolished.
- 12. I wish that those who are troubling you would even mutilate themselves.

### **New International**

- 7. You were running a good race. Who cut in on you and kept you from obeying the truth?
- 8. That kind of persuasion does not come from the one who calls you.
- 9. "A little yeast works through the whole batch of dough."
- I am confident in the Lord that you will take no other view. The one who is throwing you into confusion will pay the penalty, whoever he may be.
- 11. Brothers, if I am still preaching circumcision, why am I still being persecuted? In that case the offense of the cross has been abolished.
- 12. As for those agitators, I wish they would go the whole way and emasculate themselves!

### New King James LOVE FULFILLS THE LAW

- 7. You ran well. Who hindered you from obeying the truth?
- 8. This persuasion does not come from Him who calls you.
- 9. A little leaven leavens the whole lump.
- 10. I have confidence in you, in the Lord, that you will have no other mind; but he who troubles you shall bear his judgment, whoever he is.
- And I, brethren, if I still preach circumcision, why do I still suffer persecution? Then the offense of the cross has ceased.
- 12. I could wish that those who trouble you would even cut themselves off!

# **New Living**

- 7. You were running the race so well. Who has held you back from following the truth?
- 8. It certainly isn't God, for he is the one who called you to freedom.
- 9. This false teaching is like a little yeast that spreads through the whole batch of dough!
- 10. I am trusting the Lord to keep you from believing false teachings. God will judge that person, whoever he is, who has been confusing you.
- 11. 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.
- 12. I just wish that those troublemakers who want to mutilate you by circumcision would mutilate themselves.

### **New American Standard**

- 13. 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.
- 14. For the whole Law is fulfilled in one word, in the statement, "YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF."
- 15. But if you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.
- 16. But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh.
- 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.

## New International

- You, my brothers, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love.
- 14. The entire law is summed up in a single command: "Love your neighbor as yourself."
- If you keep on biting and devouring each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other.
- 16. So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature.
- 17. For the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature. They are in conflict with each other, so that you do not do what you want.

#### New King James

- For you, brethren, have been called to liberty; only do not use liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.
- 14. For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."
- 15. But if you bite and devour one another, beware lest you be consumed by one another!

### WALKING IN THE SPIRIT

- 16. I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.
- 17. For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish.

## New Living

- 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.
- 14. For the whole law can be summed up in this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself."
- 15. But if you are always biting and devouring one another, watch out! Beware of destroying one another.

## LIVING BY THE SPIRIT'S POWER

- 16. So I say, let the Holy Spirit guide your lives. Then you won't be doing what your sinful nature craves.
- 17. The sinful nature wants to do evil, which is just the opposite of what the Spirit wants. And the Spirit gives us desires that are the opposite of what the sinful nature desires. These two forces are constantly fighting each other, so you are not free to carry out your good intentions.

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- 18. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the Law.
- 19. Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: immorality, impurity, sensuality,
- 20. idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, disputes, dissensions, factions,
- 21. envying, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, of which I forewarn you, just as I have forewarned you, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.
- 22. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,
- 23. gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

### New International

- 18. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under law.
- 19. The acts of the sinful nature are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery;
- 20. idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions
- 21. and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.
- 22. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,
- 23. gentleness and selfcontrol. Against such things there is no law.

#### New King James

- 18. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.
- 19. Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness,
- 20. idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies,
- 21. envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.
- 22. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,
- 23. gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

## New Living

- 18. But when you are directed by the Spirit, you are not under obligation to the law of Moses.
- 19. When you follow the desires of your sinful nature, the results are very clear: sexual immorality, impurity, lustful pleasures,
- 20. idolatry, sorcery, hostility, quarreling, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambition, dissension, division,
- 21. envy, drunkenness, wild parties, and other sins like these. Let me tell you again, as I have before, that anyone living that sort of life will not inherit the Kingdom of God.
- 22. But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,
- 23. gentleness, and selfcontrol. There is no law against these things!

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- 24. Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.
- 25. If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.
- 26. Let us not become boastful, challenging one another, envying one another.

### **New International**

- 24. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires.
- 25. Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.
- 26. Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

#### **New King James**

- 24. And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.
- 25. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.
- 26. Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.

### New Living

- 24. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have nailed the passions and desires of their sinful nature to his cross and crucified them there.
- 25. Since we are living by the Spirit, let us follow the Spirit's leading in every part of our lives.
- 26. Let us not become conceited, or provoke one another, or be jealous of one another.

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