



Part 4: A Means or the End?

INTRODUCTION

Becoming free requires us to remain in step with God, to be *with* God. Spending time with Him cultivates goodness in our lives and it is through this relationship that He works in us to produce good fruit. But the fruit of our lives is not for us. It's for others so that we can love those around us well.

LET'S TALK ABOUT IT

1. Thinking through your relationship with God, do you find yourself in the *under God, from God, over God, for God, or with God* category?
2. What circumstances or thoughts have led to this classification of your relationship?
3. How does remaining in God fuel your capacity to love others?
4. What do you think about the concept of being set free actually being more for others than just for you?
5. What would it look like in your life to be more relational with Jesus?

THIS WEEK

What it looks like to live in proximity to Jesus? What it looks like to invite Him in areas of your life you never have before, to rest in His presence and love for you? What does it look like to be relational with Jesus?

"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."

Galatians 5: 13-14