

Galatians

Celebrating Freedom in Christ "Avoiding Ditches, Part 1"

INTRO: *After completing the theological section in his letter, Paul helps the Galatians apply his teaching to their freedom in Christ by warning of two grave dangers. **Being FREE** is one thing; **Staying FREE** is another!*

I. Believers have been _____ from the Performance Standard (5:1).

THE PERFORMANCE STANDARD: _____

II. Believers must steer clear of *two* ever-present dangers to their freedom: A lapse into _____ or a lurch into _____. These are two "ditches" alongside the allegorical road the Believer journeys and are powered by our unglorified flesh.

III. Avoid a lapse into _____ (5:2-12).

*This is our response to the struggle to stay out of **one of the ditches**. Part 2 next week will explore the second.*

A. _____.
It denies Christ's work, obligates to law-keeping, and severs from sanctification's power source.

B. _____.
*Heresy must be "nipped in the bud" or else it **will** spread.*

C. _____.
Grace is always vehemently opposed by Legalism.

