SERMONS FROM G A L A T I A N S

The Proper Pattern for Life
Galatians 5:13-15

1. Christians can live in freedom only to the extent that they understand what Christian freedom is not. 5:13a-b

Christians are called to be free. 5:13a

The freedom Christians have in Christ is not a license to indulge in sinful, self-centered lifestyles. 5:13b

Have I used my Christian freedom to indulge the worst parts of myself?

2. In Christ, I have the freedom to give myself away in loving servitude to others, bringing about what is best for someone who is not me. 5:13c-14

Freedom in Christ is to be used in loving service to others.

5:13c

God's will for His people is that they work for the long-term best interests of others just as they care and provide for themselves.

5:14

In what ways am I investing my life in loving service to others?

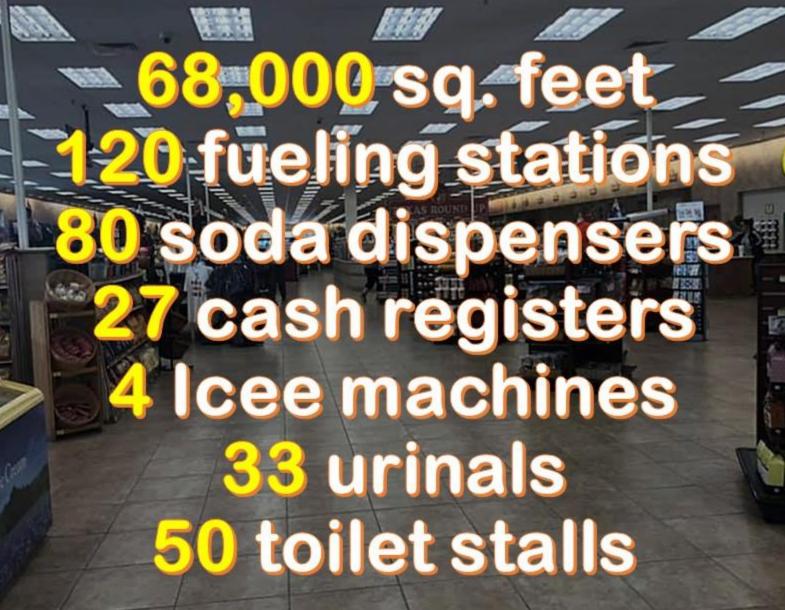
3. The Christian community will destroy itself when it chooses against following Jesus' pattern of selfless, sacrificial service to others. 5:15

Am I damaging the fellowship and witness of the church with my self-centered pursuits and my refusal to work for the good of others?





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GALATIANS

I invite you to ask God to show you the truth about your life and relationships.

Have you been using your Christian freedom to indulge the worst parts of yourself?

Are you damaging the fellowship and witness of your church by your self-centeredness?

I invite you to repent and turn to Christ, laying down your rights, preferences, needs, and desires in loving service to others in Jesus' name.