

THE LOVE OF CHRIST CONSTRAINS ME
2 Corinthians 5:14-21 (p. 1122); Galatians 5:13 - 25 (p. 1131)

I. INTRODUCTION

“Freedom is not the absence of l_____ and c_____ but it is in finding the right ones, those that fit our nature and liberate us.”

Timothy Keller, The Reason for God

“For a love relationship to be healthy there must be mutual loss of i_____.”

It is *Christ’s love for us* that constrains or controls or compels us, not **our love for Christ** -
I John 4:19; Romans 5:8; II Corinthians 5:21

II. WE FIND FREEDOM FROM

- Concern about the O_____ of O_____
- The Power of P_____ – Luke 12:15; I Timothy 6:9
- The P_____ (hurts, disappointments, mistakes, failures, grudges, addictions)
– Philippians 3:13
- G_____ - I John 1:9; Isaiah 1:18; II Corinthians 5:17
- W_____ – Matthew 6:25-34
- Our S_____ N_____ - Galatians 5:13,17, 19-21

III. WE FIND FREEDOM FOR (Galatians 5:22-23)

- Living Lives of L_____
- Living Lives of J_____
- Living Lives of P_____
- Etc., Etc., Etc.

IV. CONCLUSION – Galatians 2:20

What are the limitations and constraints that fit my nature . . .
that will help me experience new freedom in Christ?

How does the love Christ has for you constrain you
– compel you – control you to live fully for Him?

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I need to limit the amount of time I spend _____

so I will be more free to _____

Spending Less Time . . .

Will Give me More Time to

