It appears in this context of scripture that there may be some contention among believers in the Galatian church because the following verses say,

"For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this; Thou shalt **love** they neighbour as thyself. But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another." (Gal 5:14–15)

It seems they're using their liberty in Christ to treat their brothers in Christ in a wrong way. Sure, they won't die and go to hell for the sins their committing, but God is commanding not just them, but also us, to not use our liberty to please the flesh.

"Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage." (Gal 5:1)

Too many believers are using their liberty to live life how they want to, but yet can't figure out why they are so miserable in life. God gets angry with disobedient children that say, "I don't care, I will live how I want."

"Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man **soweth**, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption." (Gal 6:7-8)

Notice how it says, "his flesh", don't we just love ourselves? It's always about us right!

How can we apply this to our hunting career?

First off, are you truly saved? Did Jesus Christ really change your life? Why do you still live like an outlaw? You may think its ok to break game laws, but the Bible says,

"Only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh."

Have you ever wondered why your kids are so dishonest?

Could it be that dad has been teaching them to lie on their game harvest records?

When they fill out a tag to an animal that dad killed, it's called lying! A lot of Christian men say,

"I don't think there is anything wrong with it, God gave these animals to us.

"Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake." (I Pet 2:13)

If you intentionally break a game law, you are disobeying God. Have you ever cared about your testimony in front of the game warden? Has it ever crossed your mind that he or she might die and go to hell? Do you think he will listen to your gospel witness while he is writing you a ticket for having to many rabbits in your pouch?

"That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world." (Phil 2:15)

Is your daily bag limit not enough? This upcoming season, Ohio will allow you to take 6 deer statewide, but yet there will be many illegal deer tagged or not even tagged at all. This is expected of a lost sinner.

They're lost, how else would they act?

Why are Christians doing this? Why have men and women of God justified to themselves that its ok?

"Only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh." (Gal 5:13)

I have to admit, I've had my days in the woods where I made some decisions that could have caused a great deal of trouble, but can I also say there were many other things in my life that was not right with God!

As I began to confess my sins and grow closer to the Lord, God showed me that I cannot do wrong and have a right relationship with Him.

What is your story man or woman of God? Will you purposefully break the laws in your state this season? If so, how can you stay unspotted from the world? How can you obey every ordinance of man?

"But **put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ,** and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfill the lusts thereof." (Rom 13:14)

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Apostle Paul, "For I through the law am **dead** to the law, that I might live unto God. I am **crucified** with Christ: nevertheless, I live; yet not I, but **Christ liveth** in **me**: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the **faith** of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me. I do not frustrate the grace of God:

For if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain." (Gal 2:19–21)

"Know ye not, brethren, (for I speak to them that know the law,) how that the law hath dominion over a man as long as he liveth? For the woman which hath an husband is bound by the law to her husband so long as he liveth; but if the husband be **dead**, she is loosed from the law of her husband. So then if, while her husband liveth, she be married to another man, she shall be called an adulteress: but if her husband be **dead**,

She is free from that law;

"So that she is no adulteress, though she be married to another man. Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ; that ye should be married to another, even to him who is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God." (Rom 7:1–4)

The Church is the Bride of Christ, Christ is the Husband of the Church

"Therefore, as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing. Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;

That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the **word**,

That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but

That it should be holy and without blemish.

"So, ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself. For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church: For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh.

This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church." (Eph 5:24–32)

"For when we were in the flesh, the motions of sins, which were by the law, did work in our members to bring forth fruit unto death. But now we are delivered from the law, that being **dead** wherein we were held; that we should serve in **newness of spirit**, and not in the oldness of the letter—**Now if I** do that I would not, it is

No more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me— O wretched man that I am! **who shall deliver me** from the body of this death?

I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.

"There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.

"But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you.

Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.

"And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you,

He that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

"Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh. For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. For as many as are **led by the Spirit of God**, they are the **sons of God**. For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received **the Spirit of adoption**, whereby **we cry**, **Abba**, **Father**. The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that **we are the children of God**: And if children, then heirs; **heirs of God**, and **joint heirs with Christ**; if so be that **we suffer with him**, that **we may be also glorified** together. (Rom 7:5–6, 20, 24–25; 8:1, 8–17)

During The Winter Hunting Season Remember:"Saith the LORD,

Though your **SINS** be as scarlet, they shall be as white as **SNOW**." (Isa 1:18)

"And when he (Jesus) saw their **FAITH**,
he said unto him, Man, thy
sins are **FORGIVEN** thee."
(Luke 5:20)

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speed limit and wake zones. "Matthew 19 tells of a man that came to Jesus seeking eternal life through his good works. 'And behold, one came and said unto him, Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?' (Matt 19:16). Notice how Jesus responds, 'And he said unto him, why callest me good? There is none good but one, that is, God.' (Matt 19:17). Romans 3:10, 12 also tells us who is **good**, 'As it is written, There is none righteous, no not one—there is none that doeth good, no, not one'— One day, lost sinners will stand before God at a place called the Great White Throne Judgment. The Bible says that they will be judged for their works, 'And the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works-And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.' (Rev 20:12, 15) —Jesus Christ was born—To pay the consequences for all mankind's sin. He lived a perfect sinless life, then willingly went to the cross where His innocent blood was shed. After His death. the Bible says He was placed in a tomb, but rose from the grave on the third day. 'For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures.' (1 Cor. 15:3-4) Everyone has a choice—heaven or hell—The Apostle Paul explains to us what true biblical salvation is in Acts 20:21, "Repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ." Romans 10:9-10. 13 makes it very clear that salvation is a decision that must be made in one's heart. 'That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt **believe** in thine **heart** that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." (Excerpts)



"For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost." (LUKE 19:10)

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CALLED TO LIBERTY

A Devotional
"For, brethren, ye
have been called
unto liberty; only
use not liberty for
an occasion to the
flesh, but by love
serve one another."
(Gal. 5:13)



This verse of scripture is giving reference to the brethren!

Those who have repented of their sins and confessed with their mouth that Jesus Christ died, was buried, and rose again for eternal salvation.

Once we become born again, we are called into liberty,

Meaning we are not bound to the laws of the Old Testament. Basically, we won't be judged for being liars, thieves, blasphemers, and so on.

It's hard for us to wrap our mind around the thought that once we're saved, we could never lose it, regardless of what sin we may fall into; however, that is what the Bible teaches. When we get saved, we will not be judged for our sin, but notice how this verse in Galatians doesn't tell us that once we get saved; we can live however we want.

It does direct us to keep sin out of our life.