Galatians 3:26-29 So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed **yourselves with Christ.** There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

When any person turns to Jesus with faith, they have a new family ID.

*She/He is a child of God *They share a mystical sense of family unity/oneness (not always felt) *ethnic, social, gender. This new ID gives amazing FREEDOM from the Law.

Galatians 5:1-6 It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery. Mark my words! I, Paul, tell you that if you let yourselves be circumcised, Christ will be of no value to you at all.

Again I declare to every man who lets himself be circumcised that he is obligated to obey the whole law. You who are trying to be justified by the law have been alienated from Christ; you have fallen away from grace. For through the Spirit we eagerly await by faith the righteousness for which we hope.

For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision has any value. The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.

Now that we have this Freedom, NEVER go back to Legalism again. Legalism confuses two things: The Human insistence on Uniformity and the Christian principle of Unity.

	UNIFORMITY	<u>UNITY</u>
I feel secure	You act, think	We are both
because	and talk like I	members of
	do.	God's family
		by faith.
My emphasis	External	
is on	human	Internal
	behavior	spiritual
	(your word	character(the
	and deed)	one WORD &
		DEED that
		unites)

Relationship is based on

UNIFORMITY CLEAR list of DO's & DONT's UNITY The mystical quality of oneness in Jesus.

Primary goal

Corrected A right spirit behaviour (which leads to behaviour)

When we disagree

UNIFORMITY

With anger and fear, we work to win the fight UNITY In love and acceptance, we listen and work to reconcile.

The product

Personal pride and criticism of others

Personal humility, thanks, grace and help for others

Ultimate system

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