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 - In verses 2-3, Paul uses _____ as a metaphor to illustrate the principle.
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- The Pivotal _____
 - In the same way as death frees a married person from obligation, so also we _____ to the Law through the _____ of Christ.
 - The central point of this paragraph is that while Christ's death releases us from the _____, it doesn't release us to _____.
 - Our death to the Law has two purposes (v. 4):
 - 1) We died to the Law in Christ so that we might be _____ to Him who was raised from the dead.
 - 2) We were joined to Christ so that we might _____ fruit for God.
 - God doesn't save us so we can be _____, rather, so we will be _____.
 - But we cannot _____ what we have not _____.
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 - Galatians 5 contrasts the deeds of the _____ with the _____ of God's Spirit.
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 - In verse 1, Paul offers a basic legal principle: Death releases a person from contractual obligations.
 - In verses 2-3, Paul uses marriage as a metaphor to illustrate the principle.
 - As long as her husband is alive, she is bound to him. But if he dies, she is legally free to be joined to another.
- The Pivotal Application
 - In the same way as death frees a married person from obligation, so also we died to the Law through the body of Christ.
 - The central point of this paragraph is that while Christ's death releases us from the Law, it doesn't release us to lawlessness.
 - Our death to the Law has two purposes (v. 4):
 - 1) We died to the Law in Christ so that we might be joined to Him who was raised from the dead.
 - 2) We were joined to Christ so that we might bear fruit for God.
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