

Study: Galatians

Text: Galatians 6:1-10

“SERVING OTHERS, NOT SELF” (PART 1)

It is important to remember that the context of Galatians 5 & 6 is *Christian* _____.

Christian living that is ruled by law is *legalism*. Christian living that is ruled by the flesh is *license*. Christian living that is ruled by _____ is *liberty*.

Matthew 22:37-40 Jesus said unto him, “Thou shalt love the **Lord** thy **God** with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.”³⁸ This is the first and great commandment.³⁹ And the second *is* like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.⁴⁰ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.”

Our love for God should be displayed in how we love one another.

John 13:34-35 “A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.”³⁵ By this shall all *men* know that ye are **My** disciples, if ye have love one to another.”

As Christians, we are called to have an “_____” mindset.

Romans 12:10 *Be* kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another;

Q: So what does this look like?

A: Paul gives us some practical ways to bear the “fruit of the Spirit” by considering others.

I. Serving the Backslider by _____ (v. 1)

Someone who is “*overtaken in a fault*” is one who either is caught by someone else as he commits a sin or finds himself caught or snared by sin itself. It carries the idea of being _____.

1 Corinthians 10:12 Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth [*overconfidence being self deceived*] take heed lest he fall [*into sin*].

II. Serving the _____ by Helping (v. 2)

In context, the “*burden*” is the crushing load of *legalism*.

Cf. Matthew 11:29-30

These “*burdens*” also include failures, temptations, testings, and trials. It also speaks of guilt that is left unconfessed.

The “*law of Christ*” is the law of love.

III. Serving the Brethren with _____ (v. 3-5)

A. Don’t be self-_____ (v. 3)

This idea of “*thinking himself to be something*” is think of one’s self of being too _____ to help someone else.

Romans 12:3 For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think *of himself* more highly [*arrogantly*] than he ought to think; but to think soberly [*proper view of one’s self*], according as **God** hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.

Cf. Luke 18:9-14

B. Be _____ (v. 4)

Cf. Matthew 7:3-5

Instead of focusing on the *failures* of others we focus on the work that God is doing in us.

C. Be _____ (v. 5)

This word, “*burden*” is a different Greek word that what we see in verse 2. This word refers to one’s own _____ and obligations.

Q: Who are you serving? Are you serving God or yourself?

Q: How are you serving? Are you serving with pride or humility?

What is my next step?

(*Put off*) What must I put off that is both hinder my walk with Christ or someone else’s?

(*Renew your mind*) What qualities or Words of Christ must I meditate upon?

(*Put on*) What qualities of Christ must I seek to have as a characteristic of my life?

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“SERVING OTHERS, NOT SELF” (PART 2)

For next week consider “**Serving Others**” in our Christian life.

In these first 10 verses we see the practical nature of our fruitfulness, specifically in how we interact with each other. Read over Galatians 6:1-10 and meditate upon how we are called to “serve others.”

Q: Read Galatians 6:7-8. What is the principle of “sowing and reaping?”

Q: In the first part of v. 7 we read, “*Be not deceived.*” How can we be “*deceived*”?

Q: Read Galatians 6:9. Bearing fruit takes time. What do we fall prey to when we struggle to wait?

Q: In considering Galatians 6:10, read Romans 12:17-21 & Ephesians 5:16. How can we be obedient in “*redeeming the time*?”

What Is My Next Step?

Hearing — Giving *attention* to God’s Word with the intent to obey it – James 1:21-25

Doing — Making *application* of God’s Word to be more like Christ – Eph. 4:22-24

Date:_____ Text:_____ Speaker:_____

1. What did God show **me** that **I** must confess and forsake because it does not reflect Christ and hurts **my** relationship with Him and others? (**Put OFF SIN**)
2. What did God show **me** about Himself in this text? (**Renew your mind**)
 - a. What is He like?
 - b. What does He like?
 - c. What does He dislike?
3. What does God say to me in this text? (**Renew your mind**)
 - a. What command to obey?
 - b. What promise to claim?
 - c. What principle to apply (*If I do _____, then God will do _____*)?
 - d. What example to follow?
4. What verse(s) should **I** memorize and meditate upon through-out this week to help make **my** change lasting? (**Renew your mind**)
5. In light of what **I** have heard from God,... (**Put ON CHRIST**)
 - a. What character quality of Jesus must **I** demonstrate *with God’s help* this week?
 - b. In what situations will **I** most likely be tempted not to respond in a Christ-like way?
 - c. How can **I** get ready for those situations? (*If I don’t have a plan for change, it probably won’t happen.*)

OUR MISSION: Passionately Serve God & Compassionately Serve Others—
ALL to the Glory of GOD