

Study: Galatians

Text: Galatians 6:1-10

“SERVING OTHERS, NOT SELF” (PART 2)

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*.

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.”

I. Serving the *Backslider* by *Restoring* (v. 1)

II. Serving the *Burdened* by *Helping* (v. 2)

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

A. Don't be self-*Righteous* (v. 3)

B. Be *Rejoicing* (v. 4)

C. Be *Responsible* (v. 5)

IV. Serving the Others with _____ (v. 6-10)

A. Serving by _____—The Precept (v. 6)

This word “*communicate*” carries the idea of _____ or sharing with. The context helps to narrow the definition. “*Good things*” here refers to spiritual things.

B. Serving by _____—The Principle (v. 7-8)

1. The _____ of sowing (v. 7)

a. Stop being _____

Consider how we can often be deceived:

i. The _____ of our heart (Obadiah 3)

Obadiah 1:3 The pride of thine heart hath deceived thee, thou that dwellest in the clefts of the rock, whose habitation is high; that saith in his heart, Who shall bring me down to the ground?

ii. By _____ the truth (1 John 1:8)

iii. By hearing and not _____ (James 1:22)

b. Stop _____ God

We mock God by violating His law thinking they can get away with it. It is utter foolishness and rebellion.

The simple truth is that we are free to choose our actions in life but we are not free to choose our consequences.

Cf. Job 4:8; 2 Corinthians 9:6; Proverbs 1:30-31; Proverbs 11:18

2. The _____ of sowing (v. 8)

“*Sowing to the flesh*” is to please one’s own cravings to sin. It is to pursue pleasure—what feels good instead of what truly is good. Keep in mind that the seeds we sow are thoughts and deeds. We are commanded to “*set our affections on things above*” (Col. 3:1-2) as well as “*think on these things*” that are true, honest... (Php. 4:8)

C. Serving in _____—The Promise (v. 9)

2 Thessalonians 3:13 But ye, brethren, be not weary in well doing.

Q: How do we keep from fainting during those time of weariness and discouragement?

Hebrews 12:3 For consider **Him** that endured such contradiction of sinners against **Himself**, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds.

Consider Paul’s mindset seen in 2Co 4:7-10

D. Serving, being _____-filled—The Pursuit (v. 10)

This “*opportunity*” speaks of an appropriate time of doing something.

This “*good*” that Paul speaks of is not what others consider to be “*good*.” It is “*good*” that is defined by God’s standards. This is “*good*” that is the work of the Holy Spirit working in and through the life of a Spirit-filled believer.

1 Peter 2:15 For so is the will [*determination*] of **God**, that with well doing ye may put to silence [*muzzle*] the ignorance of foolish men:

1 Corinthians 15:58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the **Lord**, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the **Lord**.

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?

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“SEEKING GOD’S GLORY, NOT MAN’S PRAISE”

For next week consider “Seeking God’s Glory” in our Christian life.

Here in the final verses of Paul’s letter to the Galatians, he emphasizes our pursuit of God’s glory—that God would be glorified in our Christian lives. The key is *grace*. As the Christian depends upon the grace of God, being lead by the Spirit of God, he will then have nothing to boast in save the working of God in and through him.

Q: Read Galatians 6:11-18 a couple of times. What stands out to you in these verses?

Q: In v. 12, what were the Judaizers doing to minimize persecution against them?

Q: Write out v. 14. Why should we “glory” or boast in “*the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ*”?

Q: Think about “*the marks of the Lord Jesus*” that Paul refers to in v. 17. What do these “marks” on Paul’s body reveal about the glory that he pursued?

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*