

LIVE FREE

A STUDY OF THE BOOK OF GALATIANS

In this series we will see the Apostle Paul confronting the false teachings in the church of Galatia. In the process we have the opportunity to join these first-century brothers and sisters in examining ourselves. How are we viewing the grace of God? How can we shift from trying to earn God's favor in our own strength and instead live free by faith knowing that we have God's acceptance?

Week Six: Burdens and Needs

Text: Galatians 6

Sermon Summary:

We wrap up our study this week with a look at how we can experience and express our God-given freedom as we serve one another in love.

Discussion Questions: *These three larger questions will drive our discussion:*

1. What did the Holy Spirit say to you through Sunday's sermon and the associated passage?
2. What are you going to do about it?
3. How can others in the group help you and pray for you so you can do what God told you to do?

What did the Holy Spirit say to you through the sermon?

- Read Galatians 6:1-10. What are the specific ways we can "serve one another in love?"
- When you see a Christian struggling with the burden of sin, what do you feel? Have you ever tried to help someone in that situation? Has anyone ever stepped in to help you with your sin? Share an example.
- If you think of how you treat others as "planting a seed," what would you expect to "harvest" as a result of financially and personally serving others?

What are you going to do about it?

- What is the goal of getting involved when you see someone trapped in sin? Does that goal make you more likely to get involved?
- We are also called to "carry our own load." What would you say are the normal responsibilities each of us have as Christians for ourselves and for others? How are you following through on those responsibilities?

- Describe a time when you were served by another church member. How did you respond?

How can others in the group help you and pray for you?

- Encourage your group: How have you experienced a great “return on investment” when you gave to a ministry or served another person?
- Pray for each other regarding the choices or commitments God is leading each of you toward as result of this discussion.

Memory Verse:

“Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.”

Galatians 6:10