



## PGW Lenten Teaching Galatians Chapter 6

Last Chapter and the shortest of the letter. Divided into three sections and all fall under the heading “How should Christians treat each other?”

### **Section 1 verses 1-5**

Burden bearing

Scriptural References to Jesus being our Divine burden bearer:

\*Psalm 55:22

\*Mt 11:28

\*1 Peter 5:7

This scripture reminds us that the way we bear each other burdens is found in human friendship.

Dr. Wesley Hill; Spiritual Friendship

“Part of the purpose of God for his people, human friendship and burden bearing.” John Stott Galatians Commentary

*Question: What burden are we carrying? Who could or have we shared it with?*

Divine Law of Christ, Jn. 13:34 and 15:12

Paul says in Chapter 5:14 “to love our neighbor is to fulfill The Law” (Divine Law)

Yes we are our brother's keeper! Paul's answer to Gen 4:9.

The only burden we take to Jesus alone is the one we take on Judgement Day.

Good news for those that are in Christ is our sure and certain forgiveness when we repent and believe.

Jesus Christ give us liberty from the penalty of sin and makes us son and daughters.

Burden bearing is a result of our Brotherhood and Sisterhood found in the life of the Spirit.

### **Section 2 Verses 6-10**

Paul introduces the Sowing and Reaping motif

\*Gen 8:22

\*Cor 9:6

Our lives are shaped by our conduct.

Now not only are called to walk in the Spirit but also to “sow in the Spirit”.

What we sow we reap.

Flesh sowing leads to death.

Spirit sowing leads to new life.

\*2 Cor 5:17-19

Charity begins at home, then the church, then the community, then the world and Jesus takes it all the way to our enemies.

*Question: Who are we at odds with in our life? How could God enable us to extend Charity to that person(s)?*



Three spheres of sowing and reaping in this section

1. God's word
2. Seed of our own thoughts and deeds
3. Seeds of Good works

### ***Section 3: verses 11-18***

Written by Paul not transcribed

And summarize his two big questions asked in this Letter:

1.0 Is the faith something that is seen outwardly or experienced inwardly  
*Circumcision of the flesh or of the heart?*

2.0 Is the faith a human or divine action  
*What matters more? What we do for God or what God has done for us?*

Circumcision not only outward but also a work of the flesh that keeps one bound to the law  
Which no human can keep, save one  
Jesus

Our Faith can't be earned but only received by faith through Grace.

Concludes with three great truths:

1. The Church is the new Israel of God
2. The Church has a rule to direct it
3. The Church enjoys peace and mercy only when it walks by this rule

Christian life has been costly to Paul and is to all followers of Jesus  
Ends the way he began the letter  
GRACE