

Series "No Other Gospel"
"Doing Good"
Galatians 6:6-10
Part-16

Paul teaches – We all get stuck with the house we build! Galatians 6:7

"Reaping And Sowing" is part of the practical section, **Galatians 5-6**, that deals with **"Good Works."**

Ephesians 2:10

The Thought Of The Passage: "Doing Good Is Supporting The Ministry, Sowing To The Spirit And Doing Good To All Persons."

- 1. Verse 6 – Supporting The Ministry**
- 2. Verses 7-9 – Sowing In Righteousness**
- 3. Verse 10 – Doing Good To All**

1. Verse 6 – Supporting The Ministry:

Galatians 6:6 – "The one" – Paul left off with "Restoration,"
Galatians 6:1-5. "Spiritual Mindedness Means Picking Up The Fallen
And Bearing Their Burdens, Yet Being Aware Of Our Weakness,"
Galatians 6:4-5.

"The one who is taught the word" – Speaks of "someone under the
instruction in the faith."

"Word" – The Scriptures: We get our English word "Catechism" from this
Greek word.

Luke 1:3-4 – "the things you have been taught."

"is to share all good things" – This term "share" – KJV, "communicate" –
"to share, to have in common and to have fellowship."

**What we do with material things is an evidence of how we value
spiritual things.**

"with the one who teaches him." – Speaks of the office of the teacher.

This is the sharing; financially supporting of the Christian ministry.

When Jesus sent out the seventy, He said..., Luke 10:7.

1 Corinthians 9:11

There are 2 possible abuses that can take place:

- 1. Abuses By The Minister:** Martin Luther (1500) "by this excessive liberality of men, the covetousness of the clergy did increase."

1 Corinthians 9:14

There is a safeguard against abuse. 1 Timothy 5:17 – "who work hard at preaching and teaching." – Speaks "of toiling over the Word" with all his might to seek to understand and apply it!

- 2. Abuse By The Congregation:** The congregation supporting the pastor may be tempted to try and control the pastor.

What Is The Balance? And let the one who is taught the word share all good things with him who teaches.

"share" – Greek word "koinoneo"; fellowship, "to share with others, partner or companion, communicate, distribute, be partaker."

2. Verses 7-9 – Sowing In Righteousness:

Galatians 6:7 – "Do not be deceived," – Literally, "Stop being deceived."

Jesus said that the devil was a liar, John 8:44.

Mark 13:5-6; Galatians 3:1; Ephesians 5:6; 1 John 2:26; 2 John 7

A lack of spirituality leads to People being deceived.

Lack of spirituality leads to challenging God: "God is not mocked;" – Literally, "to sneer at or treat with contempt."

"for whatever a man sows, this he will also reap." – It is impossible to not reap what you have sown.

Galatians 6:1-5 – The Christian that shows brotherly compassion and love to others will have the same reciprocal concern.

Agriculture – Genesis 8:22.

If a farmer wants to experience a harvest, he has to plant the seed in the ground.

The type of harvest we will receive is determined in advance by the kind of seed that is sown.

If plenty of seed is sown we should expect a harvest of plenty, if very little seed is sown we should expect a very small harvest, 2 Corinthians 9:6.

Job 4:8; Hosea 8:7

Galatians 6:8 – “For the one who sows to his own flesh” – This subject of the flesh and the Spirit has been dealt with at length, Galatians 5:16-25.

Paul now compares the Christian life to 2 fields that we can choose to plant in. The field of the flesh, or the field of the Spirit.

The Holy Spirit is the path we walk: Galatians 5:16.

The Holy Spirit is the field in which we sow: Galatians 6:8.

“For the one who sows to his own flesh” – That if our old nature is left unchecked, it will show up in “the works of the flesh.”

“will from the flesh reap corruption,” – physical decay, and moral rotteness.

“but the one who sows to the Spirit” – Romans 8:6.

“will from the Spirit reap eternal life.” – This will produce spiritual growth. There will be communion with God (Eternal life).

Galatians 5:24-25

Galatians 6:9 – “lose heart” – “to give in to evil.”

2 Thessalonians 3:13

No such thing as “Spiritual Burn Out!” If God is leading and empowering, how can we be burned? Malachi 1:13 – “You also say, ‘My, how tiresome it is!’”

God’s Promise: “for in due time” – season; There are seasons of planting and seasons of harvesting!

“we will reap if we do not grow weary.” – “despair, or give up!” Paul gives us an incentive of a promise to keep on doing good.

James 5:7-8

“Sowing” – the doing of good works in the community.

“Harvest” – Paul does not tell us what it is.

3. Verse 10 – Doing Good To All:

Galatians 6:10 – “So then,” – We are going to reap if we don’t quit.

“while we have opportunity,” – the word “opportunity” – Is made up of two Latin words: “toward the port.” It gives the picture of a ship taking advantage of the wind and tide to arrive safely into the harbor. We need to seize those opportunities!

“let us do good to all people,” – Not just Christians but all people. A spiritual Christian is generous with his resources and time.

“and especially to those who are of the household of the faith.” – Priority of taking care of our physical and spiritual family.

Application:

1. Those Who Receive From The Ministry Should Demonstrate Doing Good Through The Support Of Ministry.
2. The Principle Of Sowing And Reaping Applies To Moral And Spiritual Issues. If We Want To Grow Spiritually, We Are Going To Have To Invest In Spiritual Seed.
3. Doing Good Will Produce Good Spiritual Results In And Out Of The Church. We Will Reap Spiritual Blessings If We Will Wait For The Harvest.