

## Galatians 6:1-18 **Restore the fallen – Support your teachers**

### Restore the fallen in the spirit of Gentleness – Guard against temptation

<sup>1</sup> Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted. <sup>2</sup> Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

### Examine your own work

<sup>3</sup> For if anyone thinks himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. <sup>4</sup> But let each one examine his own work, and then he will have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another. <sup>5</sup> For each one shall bear his own load.

### Share with your teachers – What you sow, you will also reap

<sup>6</sup> Let him who is taught the word share in all good things with him who teaches. <sup>7</sup> Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. <sup>8</sup> For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life.

### Do not grow weary in doing good

<sup>9</sup> And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart. <sup>10</sup> Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.

### Written by Paul's own hand

<sup>11</sup> See with what large letters I have written to you with my own hand!

### False motive of the Judaizers

<sup>12</sup> As many as desire to make a good showing in the flesh, these would compel you to be circumcised, only that they may not suffer persecution for the cross of Christ. <sup>13</sup> For not even those who are circumcised keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may boast in your flesh. <sup>14</sup> But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

### A New Creation – Conclusion

<sup>15</sup> For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision avails anything, but a new creation. <sup>16</sup> And as many as walk according to this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God.

<sup>17</sup> From now on let no one trouble me, for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus. <sup>18</sup> Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

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Facts Revealed:

### Restore the fallen in the spirit of Gentleness – Guard against temptation [\[Galatians 6:1-2\]](#)

✠ Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted.

✧ Believers can fall into sin.

✧ Those who are spiritual are expected to attempt to restore the sinner to the faith.

- ✧ When attempting to call a sinner to repentance, there is a danger that we ourselves might become entrapped with pride.
- ✧ Paul advises that we approach the sinner in humbleness, being on guard against the possibility that we may be tempted also.
- ✧ As we bear one another's burdens, we fulfill the law of Christ.

#### Examine your own work [Galatians 6:3-5]

- ✧ We deceive ourselves when we allow pride to inflate our self-esteem unduly.
  - ✧ To avoid this danger, we are instructed to examine our own work.
  - ✧ If we have acted with the proper motive, we may be privately pleased and keep it to ourselves alone.
  - ✧ Do not be boastful to another.
  - ✧ Each one shall bear his own burden, or it could be said, each one is responsible for his own actions and attitudes.

#### Share with your teachers – What you sow, you will also reap [Galatians 6:6-8]

- ✧ Let him who is taught the word share in all good things with him who teaches.
  - ✧ Support toward your spiritual teacher is sowing for the harvest.
- ✧ Whatever a man sows, that he will also reap.
  - ✧ For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap **corruption**.
  - ✧ But he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap **everlasting life**.

#### Do not grow weary in doing good [Galatians 6:9-10]

- ✧ Let us not grow weary while doing good.
  - ✧ The harvest is in the future, and is for the ones who endure to the end and do not lose heart. [Matthew 10:22, 13:36-43, 47-50, 24:11-14, Mark 13:12-13, Revelation 2:26, Hebrews 3:6, 6:11-12]
  - ✧ Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.

#### Written by Paul's own hand [Galatians 6:11]

- ✧ See with what large letters I have written to you with my own hand!
  - ✧ Paul's eyes bothered him to the extent that when he wrote with his own hand, he would write with very large letters.
  - ✧ This is another indication of the "Thorn in his flesh" he spoke about." [2 Corinthians 12:7-10, Galatians 4:12-15, 6:11]

#### False motive of the Judaizers [Galatians 6:12-14]

- ✧ The motive of the Judaizers is to compel you to be circumcised that they may boast in your flesh, and for themselves to avoid persecution for the cross of Christ from fellow Judaizers.
  - ✧ Not even the Judaizers keep their own laws.
- ✧ God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

#### A New Creation – Conclusion [Galatians 6:15-16]

- ✧ In Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision avails anything, but a new creation.
  - ✧ The important thing is for us to become a new creation in Christ Jesus.

✧ As many as walk according to this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God.

✧ Paul can say with a clear conscience, "From now on let no one trouble me, for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus. Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen" [Galatians 6:17-18]