

GRACE CHANGES EVERYTHING

Grace Changes Everything – Week 14 Galatians 6:6-10

Check out one of these helpful resources:

- 1) The Book of Galatians by Kyle Idleman ----- <https://bit.ly/3KE1TCC>

Allow God to speak to you through his written Word. The goal of this time is to have quality connection and time together. Choose questions from Know, Grow, and Show that will best help your group discuss the passage and take their next steps of faith. Don't feel like you need to use all the questions. Feel free to add your own too! We are praying for you as you lead your D-Group this week!

KNOW

Paul's teaching on sowing and reaping reveals the heart of grace-motivated living: our good works don't earn God's favor, but they do reflect the life of the Spirit within us. Before exploring this passage about generosity, faithfulness, and perseverance, let's connect with our own experiences of giving, growing weary, and finding renewal.

- Think of a time when you invested significantly in someone (time, energy, resources) and didn't see immediate results. What kept you going, or what made you want to give up?
- Share about a teacher, mentor, or coach who significantly impacted your life. How did you express gratitude to them, and what made their investment in you so valuable?
- Describe a season when you felt worn out from doing good things. What circumstances or attitudes contributed to that weariness?
- Have you ever experienced the 'harvest' of a good investment you made years earlier? What surprised you about the timing or nature of that return?
- Think about the different circles of relationship in your life (family, church, neighbors, coworkers, strangers). Where do you find it easiest to 'do good'? Where is it most challenging?
- Sometimes we're tempted to 'love people from afar' through social media posts or opinions while neglecting those God has actually put in our daily lives. Have you ever caught yourself doing this? What prompted you to recognize it?
- Describe a situation where you saw someone else sacrificing to serve others and wondered, 'Is anyone else doing what they're doing?' How did you respond to their example?



In this passage, Paul concludes his practical instruction by connecting generosity, perseverance, and community care to the larger theme of grace. The sowing and reaping principle isn't about earning God's favor through good works—it's about the natural, life-giving fruit that comes from walking in the Spirit rather than living by the flesh.

- **Galatians 6:6:** Paul instructs those being taught to 'share all good things' with their instructors. The Greek word *koinoneo* means 'to have fellowship' or 'to share.' How does viewing financial support as 'fellowship' rather than mere payment change our perspective on giving to those who teach us God's Word? *1 Corinthians 9:11-14*.
- **Galatians 6:7:** Paul warns, 'Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked.' In what ways might people try to 'mock' God by believing they can escape the consequences of their choices? Why does self-deception in this area seem so common? *Proverbs 22:8, Hosea 8:7, Job 4:8*.
- **Galatians 6:8:** Paul contrasts 'corruption' (destruction/decay) with 'eternal life.' The word 'eternal' here can be qualitative—life that is abundant, never-ending in quality. How does understanding 'eternal life' as both present abundance and future hope shape the way we approach daily decisions? *John 17:3, Romans 6:22-23, Colossians 3:1-4*. **John Calvin wrote:** 'If believers' eyes are turned to the power of the Resurrection, in their hearts the cross of Christ will at last triumph over the devil, flesh, sin, and wicked men.'
- **Galatians 6:9:** Paul urges, 'Let us not become weary in doing good.' Like an inexperienced gardener watching dormant seeds, we can grow anxious when results don't come quickly. What specific 'good works' are you tempted to grow weary in? What causes the weariness—lack of visible results, lack of recognition, or something else? *2 Thessalonians 3:13, 1 Corinthians 15:58, Hebrews 12:1-3*.
- **Galatians 6:10:** Paul says to do good 'as we have opportunity.' This phrase suggests we're not expected to meet all the needs of all people. How does this guard against burnout while still calling us to generous action? What does it look like to recognize and respond to the opportunities God places before us? *Ephesians 5:15-16, Colossians 4:5, Matthew 25:35-40*.



Paul's teaching on sowing and reaping calls us to evaluate not just what we do, but why we do it and whether we're persevering in grace-motivated service.

- Paul's teaching on supporting those who instruct us calls for tangible generosity. Is there someone who has taught you God's Word—a pastor, D-Group leader, Sunday school teacher, mentor—to whom you could express gratitude this week through a note, gift, or word of encouragement?
- Paul says to do good 'as we have opportunity.' Name one specific person God has placed in your daily path (family member, neighbor, coworker, fellow believer) whom you've been overlooking. What is one concrete way you could serve them this week?
- Are you currently consuming from the church without contributing? What is one way you could shift from 'using' to 'serving' this month—perhaps through volunteering, hospitality, burden-bearing, or financial generosity?