

Freedom To Live For Christ

Galatians 6:1-5

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Using This Study

① EXAMINE His Word

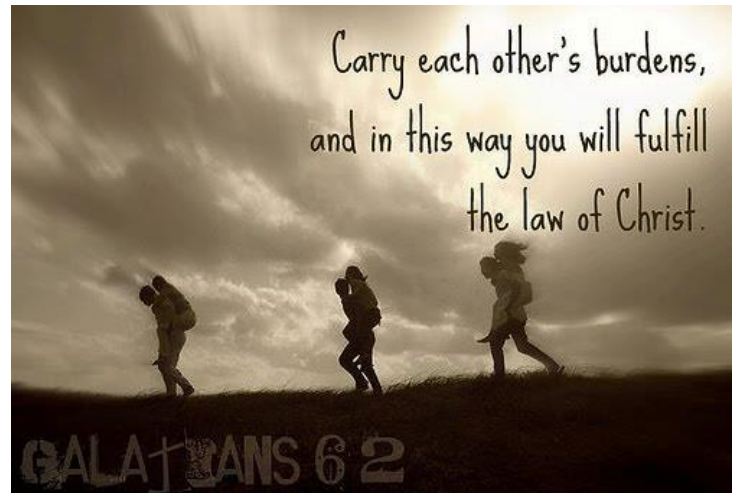
What does God SAY? Open your time with prayer. The words God uses to communicate matters, so go back and pay close attention to the details that are emphasized or repeated in the passage.

② EXPLORE His Word

What does God MEAN? Asking questions of the text helps surface how the details relate to the message God wants to communicate.

③ EMBRACE His Word

Why does it MATTER to me? Embrace God by responding to what you discover in His word in faith and obedience.



This week we start the last chapter of Galatians, chapter 6. In the first 5 verses, there are some instructions that go a long way when it comes to helping us love one another. Paul has spent a great deal of time in the letter explaining that we are no longer under the Law but are under grace. At the same time, he has explained that in Christ we should love one another and that this fulfills the Law. Now Paul has gotten to the practical. In these 5 verses, we will start to see what it looks like to love each other.

COMPARISON
IS THE THIEF
OF JOY.

Theodore Roosevelt

Read Galatians 6:1-5 (NET)

¹ Brothers and sisters, if a person is discovered in some sin, you who are spiritual restore such a person in a spirit of gentleness. Pay close attention to yourselves, so that you are not tempted too. ² Carry one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.

³ For if anyone thinks he is something when he is nothing, he deceives himself. ⁴ Let each one examine his own work. Then he can take pride in himself and not compare himself with someone else. ⁵ For each one will carry his own load.

EXAMINE His Word (Observation) (For personal preparation)

What does God SAY? Prayerfully note significant details and terms emphasized in the foregoing passages.

1. Who is involved in the text? Author, audience, main characters.
2. Where and when is this taking place? Geography and timeline.
3. What actions are carried out or commanded? Look for the verbs.
4. Is there anything repeated?
5. What is emphasized?

6. Is there anything in these passages that is related to other areas of scripture?

7. Are there things to be noted that are alike or unlike such as similes and metaphors?

🕒 EXPLORE His Word (Interpretation) (For Community Group discussion)

What does God MEAN?

8. What are we to do when we find a fellow believer in sin?

9. a. How does verse 2 describe fulfilling the law?

b. How does this relate to the rest of the book?

10. How do verses 3 and 4 help us maintain joy?

11. With verse 3 in mind: how should you view yourself?

③ EMBRACE His Word (Application) (For Community Group discussion)

Why does this MATTER to me?

12. a. What are some difficulties in restoring a person from sin?

b. How can we overcome them?

13. What are some examples of how we can carry one another's burdens?

14. What are some things that we can do to help us be content with who we are, and what we are doing, and avoid joy stealing comparisons with others?

Summarize your thoughts on the passage

Write about what God wants you to **KNOW**, to **FEEL**, and to **DO**...

SERMON NOTES