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Galatians 6: 9,10

Doing Good

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From Chapter 5 and verse 26: “Let’s not become boastful, challenging one another, envying one another.” all the way through to 6:10, Paul gives:

15 COMMANDS & EXHORTATIONS relative to a CONSTRUCTIVE USE of the Liberty we have in Christ to and among other Believers

- The corporate good of the assembly is in mind
- Mutual responsibility among believers is emphasized
- Liberty in the Spirit exhorted in 5:1 does not excuse a believer from RESPONSIBILITY, both personally and corporately
- IT DOES: free us to exercise our liberty with BALANCE and with JOY

Keeping in Mind:

MERRYMAN: ‘GALATIANS: GOD’S ANTIDOTE TO LEGALISM; RONALD C. MERRYMAN, PG. 105

We have been exhorted by Paul to walk in the Spirit in Ch. 5, and in doing so, we cannot carry out the desires of the flesh, which if we walk by the flesh, he lays out the dastardly deeds that transpire from the flesh. But walking by means and under the power, influence and control of the Spirit: we exhibit Christ’s character: ***love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control***

Chapter 6 in Context with Commands & Exhortations underlined:



1 Brethren, even if anyone is caught in any trespass, you who are spiritual, restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness; each one looking to yourself, so that you too will not be tempted. 2 Bear one another's burdens, and thereby fulfill the law of Christ. 3 For if anyone thinks he is something when he is nothing, he deceives himself. 4 But each one must examine his own work, and then he will have reason for boasting in regard to himself alone, and not in regard to another. 5 For each one will bear his own load.

6 The one who is taught the word is to share all good things with the one who teaches him. 7 Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, this he will also reap. 8 For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life.

Today's Verses:

9 *Let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time we will reap if we do not grow weary.* 10 *So then, while we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, and especially to those who are of the household of the faith.*

The principles of Verses 6 – 8 RECAP:



- I. Verse 6: *'The one who is taught the word is to share all good things with the one who teaches him'*
 - a. *The emphasis is on the 'one taught'*: the one who is continually the recipient of teaching is to in the present, share all good things with the one who teaches
 - b. As Bob W. pointed out two weeks ago, the context is not in financial support as Paul teaches in I Cor. 9: 11-19; *'If we sowed spiritual things in you, is it too much if we reap material things from you?'*
 - c. 'good things' are spiritual things; things of God, things of Christ, truths from scripture are the good things
 - d. The 'sharing' is ***koinōneō***; mutual beneficial fellowship—the Lord's Table is this type of sharing
 - e. *i.e.* share good spiritual truths and observations and encouragements back to the one teaching. Reckoning him/herself dead to sin and alive unto God, the H.S.'s job is to disclose spiritual things to the one taught, while being taught (John 16:12-15)

HAL MOLLOY, NOTES ON GALATIANS 6: 6-10; 27 AUG 2000

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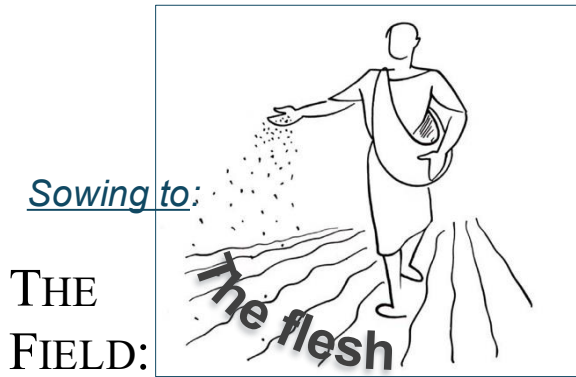


- II. Verse 7: *‘Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, this he will also reap.’*
- a. Wolford expounded in the last lesson that sowing and reaping was an unchanging principle, true of both O.T. and N.T.
 - b. Merryman has verse 7 in context in this way: ‘stop being (presently) deceived, quit kidding yourselves’ about the disastrous effects of legalism from these legalistic teachers (teaching bad things)
 - c. In bucking the spiritual truths (grace teachings) of God, men only ridicule or make fools of themselves
 - d. The ways of God are FIXED by divine design. Try to reverse engineer God’s sowing and reaping principle to your own detriment.
 - e. Wolford and Merryman gave examples of: sowing like seeds to like crops. Wolford called it ‘inescapable accountability’ to God
 - f. Molloy gave: the example of Jacob pulling the wool over Isaac’s eyes by tricking him to give Esau’s blessing. The younger got the older’s blessing. Later, Laban tricked Jacob, giving him the older daughter for a bride and not the younger. God was not mocked here.

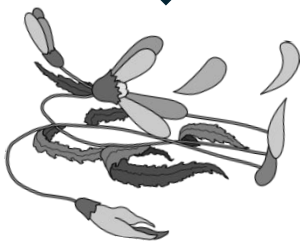
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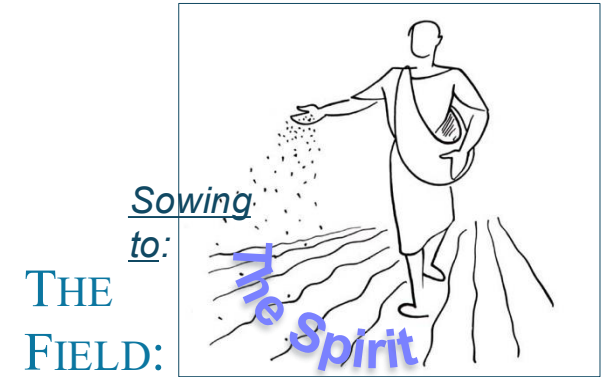
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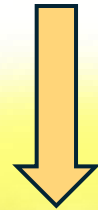
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The Harvest:
DECAY, RUIN, DESTRUCTION: CORRUPTION
RUIN, DECAY



Time passes: at the proper time/season, 'in due time' v. 9



The Harvest:

(OUT FROM THE SPIRIT) ENDLESS, DURATIVE, WITHOUT BEGINNING OR ENDING **ZŌĒ** (CHRIST'S VERY LIFE)

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IV. Verse 8, contin: *“For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life.”*

Where the one sowed:

He finds he reaped:

selfishness

In due season

selfishness

bitterness

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impatience

impatience

immorality

immorality

In due season; in your own time; maturing in Christ . . .

BUT:



Where the one sows:

He will reap:

. . . to the Spirit by walking by faith (II Cor. 5:7)

love

. . . by walking/ leading by the Spirit (Gal. 5:16,18)

joy

Abiding in Christ (Jn 15:4)

peace

Beholding Christ through His Word (II Co. 3:18)

longsuffering

. . . by being filled with the Spirit (Eph. 5:18)

self-control

gentleness



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NEW MATERIAL for Today !

Paul is ending the letter with 2 exhortations

Not imperatives, but subjunctives:

'let us not lose heart / grow weary in well-doing' and

in v. 10, we should *'do good to all men'*

- There is the potentiality of losing heart in doing the good things
- **ek-kakos** is losing heart: out of (the) bad, worthless; or being a cowardly, retreating soldier in the time of battle.
- 'not growing weary' is fainting away, 'quitting in our mentality' (Merryman)
- When trial comes, hardships do not be shrinking back from **doing the good** in v. 9, and in v. 10 **working the good**
- What is the GOOD here?

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THE GOOD:

- i. The good in v. 6 was the sharing of all good things with the teacher, and we established that was the 'things of God', the 'things of the Lord Jesus Christ'; blessed, true facts of all of scripture
- ii. Is there any reason to change the 'good' to some sort of good works?
- iii. **e.g.:** taking your old down coat to Goodwill; going on a mission trip to MEX to build someone's house? Raising money for a new church building?
- iv. Merryman has it in order here: throughout the Galatian letter, the good is what Paul has been encouraging all along: the correct doctrine of justification, to mature spiritually by the ministries of the Spirit of God, to be firm (meekness) without perverting our liberty, the proper use of liberty in mutual fellowship among the body . . .
- v. 'in due time' is the Divine certainty of the harvest; but it takes time for the sowing to the Spirit to germinate, then to take root and then to break out of the ground
- vi. What will break ground and grow is the Fruit of the Holy Spirit in our lives (5:22,23) which will become manifest and be able to be shared, benefitting all

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THE GOOD:

- vii. Not only will our exhibited fruit of the Spirit benefit our fellowship with other believers, but by sowing to Him, and waiting for the harvest
- viii. The H.S. can 'flex' in us; a furrowed heart, and exercise His will in implementing His gifts program: teaching, evangelism, shepherding, (Eph. 4: 7-16). . . . And helps, giving, encouraging...

This sowing to the field of the Spirit, and not to the field of the flesh, will carry out out its Designed Intent:

“for we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.” EPH. 2:10