

“Spirit-Led Community”
Galatians 5:25-6:10

1. What principles or observations from Galatians 5:25-6:10 and Pastor Jason’s message did you find to be helpful or insightful?
2. Paul begins chapter Galatians chapter 6 with a hypothetical situation of a believer who is caught in a sin or “caught by a sin”. The image here is of someone running from sin but sin, being faster, overtakes and catches him. And a fellow believer should come along and restore the brother or sister who is caught up in sin. The word for restore is used in the Greek for setting a broken bone or for mending a broken net. Who is qualified for the task of restoration (6:1, 5:16)? With what attitude and posture should we seek to restore (6:1)?
3. A serving and mature Christ-follower seeks to help other who are under the heavy and oppressive weight and burden of temptation and spiritual failure. But what must the one doing the restoring be careful to avoid (6:1, 3, 4)?
4. If we are to help bear other’s burdens, conceit and pride must be laid aside. We can’t have an attitude that is intolerant of error in others and cause us to think that we are above failure. We each have our own load to carry (6:5). This is not the crushing weight in verse 2 but a different Greek word that refers to the pack usually carried by a marching soldier and the one that Jesus assigns to His followers. There are certain burdens that every believer must bear and which cannot be shared with others. How does Christ describe this normal burden in Matthew 11:30?
5. In Galatians 6:7-8, Paul gives a solemn warning that God cannot be mocked. If a person sows to please his sinful nature, he reap a harvest that will fade away. But if he sows to please the Spirit and walk in the Spirit, then he will reap a harvest that will last forever. The reaping will take place in God’s perfect timing and may be only in part in this life and in full in the life to come. What are we to do in the face of this reality that the harvest may be long in coming (6:9)?
6. According to 6:10, what do all Christians have a measure of responsibility to do when the opportunity arises? How can we obey this charge and put it into action this week?