

Living on Purpose

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Galatians 6:1-10

"Do good," it sounds like a simple instruction. Yet, Galatians 6:1-10 lists the dangers that surround us as we attempt to do good to others: temptation (v. 1); arrogance (v.3); comparing ourselves to others (v.4); laziness (v.5); self-centeredness (v.6); being deceived (v.7); doing good to get a pat on the back (v.8); or just becoming weary in it all, and giving up the effort (v.9).

Why should we try to do good when all of this threatens to undo us? Galatians 6:8-9 has the answers, "whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life," and "at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."

God has given each of us gifts intended to bless others. He also gives us specific "opportunities" for which we are uniquely able and positioned to minister to someone's need.

What a joy to step into the purpose for which we are designed! Though dangers surround this high calling, Christ's indwelling Spirit can give us the power to sincerely and humbly carry each other's burdens.

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