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Acting Like a Family – Galatians 6:1-10

Bear One Another's Burdens

6 Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. ²Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

³For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself.⁴But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. ⁵For each will have to bear his own load. ⁶Let the one who is taught the word share all good things with the one who teaches. ⁷Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. ⁸For 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. ⁹And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. ¹⁰So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

Inside the Text:

I. There are burdens you can share. (1-2)

A. You are qualified to help. (1a)

1. Based on your position in Christ (“brothers”)
2. Based on your connection with others (“anyone,” “any transgression”)
3. Based on your identification with the Holy Spirit (“spiritual”)

B. You are commissioned to help. (1b-2)

1. Restore: Gently and soberly
2. Bear: Completely and joyfully

II. There are burdens you must bear. (3-10)

A. Examine your motives. (3-4)

1. Step back and take an objective look. (3-4a)
2. Reevaluate the source of your strength. (4b)
3. Live with eternity in view. (5)

B. Fulfill your responsibilities. (6-10)

1. Treatment of pastor/teachers (6-9)
2. Treatment of community members (10a)
3. Treatment of church members (10b)

Apply the Text:

- **Is there a burden you need to share?**

- Has the Holy Spirit brought someone to your mind?
- Stop making excuses for not actively seeking his restoration!
- Reach out to him today.

- **Is there a burden you need to bear?**

- Are you living in light of the Judgment Seat of Christ?
- Which of the three categories of people need more of your attention:
(1) church leaders; (2) community members; (3) church family.