



Week Six:
GRACE THAT SUSTAINS
Sermon Seeds

SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2019

KEY VERSE

Let's not get tired of doing good, because in time we'll have a harvest if we don't give up. — Galatians 6:9 (CEB)

SUGGESTED VERSES FOR WORSHIP

Galatians 6:1-10; other references: 2 Corinthians 4:1, 16 and 2 Thessalonians 3:13

KEY CONCEPT

Grace frees us and sustains us to work for the good of all, bearing one another's burdens, and doing what is right.

SERMON HELPS

These passages encourage and sustain us in the work of grace, building up God's Kingdom.

Bear One Another's Burdens

- Define sin – something which breaks our relationship with God.
- In order to restore someone, Jesus warned that we would need to remove the log from our own eye first (*Matthew 7:5*). In other words, we need to be honest with ourselves as to our own sin.
- When we realize we are sustained by grace, it then becomes easier to sustain others in grace.
- Paul states “if a person is caught doing something wrong, you who are spiritual should restore someone like this with a spirit of gentleness” (*vs. 1*).
- Paul also cautions the need for boundaries so as not to fall into sin.
- Growth often comes out of the struggle for both the one who needs restored and the one who restores.

Personal Connection/Illustration

Give an example of what this has looked like in your own life either as the one who has sinned or the one who has restored. Or you may consider Wesley's Three Simple Rules: Do No Harm, Do Good, Stay in Love with God.

Let Us Not Get Tired of Doing Good

- Grace frees us and sustains us to work for the good of all.
- Love God; love your neighbor; walk humbly in the Lord; renounce rivalry; be personally accountable; sow trust in the Spirit
- Faith equals trust.
- “because in time we’ll have a harvest if we don’t give up”(vs.9b).
- The Harvest is coming and we pray “Come Lord Jesus, Come.”

Personal Connection/Illustration

Thomas Edison had an amazing 1,093 patents with the U.S. Patent Office, and behind each one of those 1,093 successes were hundreds and sometimes thousands of failures. Edison mastered the art not allowing failure to deter him. Near the end of his career, a former employee of Edison wrote the following to his former boss: “Above all you taught me not to be afraid of failure; that scars are sometimes as honorable as medals.”

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