

No Other Gospel: Galatians 6:1-2
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Reflection & Discussion Questions

Paul addresses helping each other with habitual sin in the beginning of chapter 6

He describes some effective principles for relating to others struggling.

*What is your reaction to the word ACCOUNTABILITY when it comes to our relationships with other believers?

*Have you been a part of such a relationship?

*What is helpful about an accountability partner/group? What problems arise?

Paul guides us in what to do when we have a friend struggling in sin

Read and discuss Galatians 6:1 (NIV)

6 Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Spirit should restore that person gently. But watch yourselves, or you also may be tempted.

*What does the imagery of this verse call to mind?

*What type of person should help to restore someone caught in sin?

*What does the word 'restore' here mean?

*Have you had a gentle restoration experience? What was that like?

*Why is it important to watch ourselves as we try to help? How can you help others while protecting yourself from sin?

Paul gives us a great sentence about doing that restorative work

Read and discuss Galatians 6:2 (NIV)

2 Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.

*What does 'carrying each other's burdens' look like in practice? How does this relate to accountability?

*What does this carrying require of us? Of the other person?

Paul is talking about rediscovering the sort of friendships we were created to have

Be this type of friend and look for this type of friend.

*Is there someone in your life that allows you to be fully seen and known; someone you can talk about your sins with?

*How has this type of 100% friend helped you wrestle with sin?

*If you don't have this relationship in your life, what step could you take towards it?

*What is the Spirit showing you about the benefit of being unhidden with a friend? What is the Spirit showing you about being a gentle, restorative presence for a friend?