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BEAR ONE ANOTHER'S BURDEN

Galatians 5:26-6:15

SERIES BIG IDEA:

We love one another by being _____ one _____.

Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other. Brothers, if someone is caught in a sin, you who are spiritual should restore him gently. But watch yourself, or you also may be tempted. Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.

Galatians 5:26-6:2 (NIV,1984)

Bearing one another's burdens requires humility, _____ and _____.

May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. Neither circumcision nor uncircumcision means anything; what counts is a new creation.

Galatians 6:14-15 (NIV,1984)

You can only bear one another's burdens when your only _____ is in the _____ of Christ.

If we have been united with Him like this in His death, we will certainly also be united with Him in His resurrection. For we know that our old self was crucified with Him so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we would no longer be slaves - because anyone who has died has been freed from sin.

Romans 6:5-7 (NIV,1984)

Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of others.

Philippians 2:3-4 (NIV,1984)

Restoring one another is _____ for my _____.

My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater Love has no one that this that he lay down his life for his friends.

John 15:12-13 (NIV,1984)

TEACHING BIG IDEA:

We bear one another's burdens to _____ them to Jesus who bore our sins and _____ us new.

MARK 2:1-12

Bearing one another burdens requires _____ and a willingness to step into a _____.

Bearing one another's burdens is boasting in the _____ of _____ on the cross.

⁶Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, ⁷but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. ⁸And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death-- even death on a cross!

Philippians 2:6-8 (NIV,1984)

Bearing one another's burdens is boasting in the _____ of the _____.

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Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

1 Peter 1:3 (NIV,1984)

Bearing one another's burdens is boasting in the _____ of Christ over our _____.

¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! ¹⁸All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: ¹⁹that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. ²¹God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

2 Corinthians 5:17-21 (NIV,1984)

_____ is my boast?



TEACHING SUMMARY:

What is your boast? What is your battlecry? Is it Jesus crucified and resurrected? Or is it something else?

To help believers, who are trapped in sin, we must learn to bear one another's burdens by pointing them to Jesus' life, death, and resurrection. Scripture leads us to enter the mess to gently restore them. Then, we help them to remember and align with the good news of Jesus. This is how we "boast in the cross of Jesus" (Galatians 6:14-15).

Being honest, does your life boast in the cross of Jesus or are you boasting in your own works? Does your life boast the work of the cross or the work of your selfishness? When you look at your behaviors, do they reflect your beliefs about Jesus?

Galatians 6:1 warns us that we must be aware that we don't fall into the same sin with which the other person is struggling. This means first checking your own heart to make sure that you are not ignoring your own need to surrender to Jesus as Savior and Lord. Then, asking God to show you where you need to change. This is how you check where your boast is.

Jesus is the only person worthy of any boast. He is the only one who can be our boast. He is our battlecry and the reason any of us can ultimately be for one another because He was for us.

TALK IT OVER:

Why is it important to gently restore others?

Have you ever seen someone correct another believer with the wrong motive or attitude? How did that affect the person being corrected?

Have you had to gently someone or has someone needed to gently restore you? How did that process go?

What is one next step you can take?

How can others be praying for you?

FURTHER READING:

Day 1: Philippians 2:3-7

Day 2: Romans 12:3, 14-16

Day 3: Ephesians 2:1-20

Day 4: Mark 2:1-12

Day 5: Matthew 7:12

Day 6: Matthew 11:28-29