# Galatians 6 - The Secret for Battling Sin

June 4, 2023 - Pastor Jarrod Stueve

Galatians 6:1-5 Bearing and Sharing Burdens	Galatians 6:1-5 Bearing and Sharing Burdens
Galatians 3:3 Galatians 5:16 Romans 7:19 NLT	Galatians 3:3 Galatians 5:16 Romans 7:19 NLT
Galatians 5:14 Matthew 23:4	Galatians 5:14 Matthew 23:4
1) Love is not an emotion, it's a and	1) Love is not an emotion, it's aCHOICE_ andACTION
Verses 6-10 Your Reap What You Sow	Verses 6-10 Your Reap What You Sow
Luke 22:24 John 13:4-5 Galatians 5:13	Luke 22:24 John 13:4-5 Galatians 5:13
2) What you determines what kind of	2) What you <u>ABIDE</u> <u>IN</u> determines what kind of
you bear.	<b>FRUIT</b> you bear.
3) The secret for battling sin: the flesh,	3) The secret for battling sin:STARVE_ the flesh,
the Spirit.	<u>FEED</u> the Spirit.
In Battling Sin, Two Mistakes to Avoid:	In Battling Sin, Two Mistakes to Avoid:
Mistake #1 - Focus on your rather than your	<ul> <li>Mistake #1 - Focus on yourFRUIT _ rather than yourVINE</li> </ul>
Mistake #2 - Expect immediate	Mistake #2 - Expect immediate
Verses 11-18 Paul's Conclusion	Verses 11-18 Paul's Conclusion
4) The ground at the foot of the is	4) The ground at the foot of theCROSS isLEVEL
5) Satan wants you to ask, "What makes me	5) Satan wants you to ask, "What makes meBETTER
than others?"	than others?"
6) Jesus wants you to ask, "What's?"	<b>6)</b> Jesus wants you to ask, "What's <u>NEXT</u> ?"

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What are some ways God wants you to serve others this week? Be specific (who/where/how/etc).

## **TAKING IT HOME**

7) This week we talked about starving the flesh and feeding the spirit. In what way(s) are you most tempted to *FEED* your flesh? They may not even be sins - but just ways you're allowing *your body* to be your master, instead of Jesus.

What are some ways you are currently feeding your spirit?

What can you do better to starve your flesh?

What can you do better to feed your spirit?

8) How is God speaking to you from this week's passage, message, or homework?

### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

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# <u>Life Group Homework</u> For the week of June 4, 2023

\*\*\*This is the last week of Spring Life Groups! We will break for the summer, but we encourage you to plan a few gettogethers for fellowship!\*\*\*

#### **QUICK REVIEW**

1) As we finish our study through the book of Galatians, explain 2-3 of your biggest "take-aways".

2) What is at least one thing that stood out to you from this Sunday's message? (Favorite point, favorite verse, questions, etc)

## **DIGGING DEEPER**

3) In the following passage, Paul gives us an example of a brother *overtaken* in sin. Read the passage, then answer the questions.

Romans 7:19 NLT - "I want to do what is good, but I don't. I don't want to do what is wrong, but I do it anyway."

If these were the words of a Christian friend today, what would you say to them? How would you help them?

4) What stands out to you from the following passage?

**Luke 18:9-14 -** "[9] Also He spoke this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others: [10] "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a

Pharisee and the other a tax collector. [11] "The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank You that I am not like other men--extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this tax collector. [12] 'I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I possess.' [13] "And the tax collector, standing afar off, would not so much as raise his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me a sinner!' [14] "I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.""

What does this passage teach you about legalism?

What does it teach you about grace?

Why do you think Jesus rejected the Pharisee?

How do you think the Pharisee would have been viewed by most of his contemporaries?

5) What do you think about the following quote?

"Now, obviously, I'm not saying that we can live like hell and call ourselves disciples. The Bible is quite clear. If we genuinely know God and love him, we will keep his commandments. But I am saying that our definitions of what it means to be a genuine Christ follower must include room for the weak and the struggling, the frightened and the failing, in order to remain aligned with Jesus rather than with the Pharisees of old. Following Jesus is not a race to see who can be the most radical, sacrificial, knowledgable, or quickest to burn out. It's not a contest to see who's willing to

take the hardest road. That's asceticism, not discipleship. For the gospel to remain the gospel, grace and mercy have to remain front and center. When the radicalness of my commitment, the intensity of my zeal, or the extent of my personal sacrifices become the means to receive or maintain God's acceptance and approval, the good news of the gospel is no longer good news to anyone except those of us who excel." - Larry Osborne, Accidental Pharisees

As you grow in your walk with Jesus, how can you protect yourself from spiritual pride?

6) What stands out to you from the following passage? **John 13:3-5, 12-17** - "[3] Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He had come from God and was going to God, [4] rose from supper and laid aside His garments, took a towel and girded Himself. [5] After that, He poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel with which He was girded. ... [12] So when He had washed their feet, taken His garments, and sat down again, He said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? [13] "You call Me Teacher and Lord, and you say well, for so I am. [14] "If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. [15] "For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you. [16] "Most assuredly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master; nor is he who is sent greater than he who sent him. [17] "If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them."

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Why do you think Jesus did this?