

**Welcome to Faith & First United Methodist Church**  
**Sermon Notes - September 6th, 2020**  
**Galatians Series: "Some Practical Advice"**

Scripture: Galatians 6

Gal 6:1-10 Dear brothers and sisters, if another believer is overcome by some sin, you who are godly should gently and humbly help that person back onto the right path. And be careful not to fall into the same temptation yourself. Share each other's burdens, and in this way obey the law of Christ. If you think you are too important to help someone, you are only fooling yourself. You are not that important. Pay careful attention to your own work, for then you will get the satisfaction of a job well done, and you won't need to compare yourself to anyone else. For we are each responsible for our own conduct. Those who are taught the word of God should provide for their teachers, sharing all good things with them. Don't be misled—you cannot mock the justice of God. You will always harvest what you plant. Those who live only to satisfy their own sinful nature will harvest decay and death from that sinful nature. But those who live to please the Spirit will harvest everlasting life from the Spirit. So let's not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't give up. Therefore, whenever we have the opportunity, we should do good to everyone—especially to those in the family of faith.

Gal 6:12-15 Those who are trying to force you to be circumcised want to look good to others. They don't want to be persecuted for teaching that the cross of Christ alone can save. And even those who advocate circumcision don't keep the whole law themselves. They only want you to be circumcised so they can boast about it and claim you as their disciples. As for me, may I never boast about anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. Because of that cross, my interest in this world has been crucified, and the world's interest in me has also died. It doesn't matter whether we have been circumcised or not. What counts is whether we have been transformed into a new creation.

**Life Application Questions:**

1. How are you able to help others with their burdens?
2. In what areas of your life are you reaping a harvest from seeds you have sown or wish you have not sown?
3. Can you describe how you have been transformed into a new creation? How do you show it?

**Prayer:** Dear Lord, thank you for the Holy Spirit. The Spirit that has transformed us into a new creation. Help us to see how our continual sowing of the seed would grow into the harvest that would be pleasing unto you. Show us how we can help carry the crushing burden of another. We can only live these scriptures out through the power of the Holy Spirit that resides inside us. We pray all this in the mighty name of Jesus, Amen.

