

# COMING HOME

## Prioritizing The Church as a Family



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### Galatians 5:25–6:10(ESV)

<sup>25</sup> If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit. <sup>26</sup> Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.

**6** Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. <sup>2</sup> Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. <sup>3</sup> For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. <sup>4</sup> But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. <sup>5</sup> For each will have to bear his own load.

<sup>6</sup> Let the one who is taught the word share all good things with the one who teaches. <sup>7</sup> Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. <sup>8</sup> For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. <sup>9</sup> And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. <sup>10</sup> So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

### INTRODUCTION:

“If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit.” Galatians 5:25

A community (family) in step with the Spirit is marked by healthy attitudes and actions toward others and ourselves.

### Four pairs of healthy attitudes/actions

<u>To Others</u>	<u>To Self</u>
Don't be conceited (5:25)	'Boast' in oneself alone (6:3-4)
Gently restore (6:1a)	Watch yourself (6:1b)
Carry each other's burdens (6:2)	Carry your own load (6:5)
Do good to all (6:7-10)	Don't sow to please the flesh (6:7-10)

## **Don't be conceited**

Galatians 5:26

## **Boast in oneself**

Galatians 6:3–4 (ESV)

“<sup>3</sup> If anyone thinks they are something when they are not, they deceive themselves. <sup>4</sup> Each one should test their own actions. Then they can take pride in themselves alone, without comparing themselves to someone else.”

Galatians 6:3–4 (NIV)

“Make a careful exploration of who you are and the work you have been given, and then sink yourself into that. Don't be impressed with yourself. Don't compare yourself with others.” Galatians 6:4 (MSG)

## **Gently Restore**

Galatians 6:1a

## **Watchful guarding against temptation**

Galatians 6:1b

## **Carry each other's burdens**

Galatians 6:2

## **Carry your own load**

Galatians 6:5

## **Do good/Don't sow to please the flesh**

Galatians 6:7–10