

## Week of August 18, 2019

<u>This Week's Focus</u>: Spirit-led people of God should value the word of God, live lives that reflect a healthy fear of God, and as result demonstrate that through gospel-centered good works.

This Week's Text: Galatians 6:6-10

"Human beings have a remarkable and sad capacity for getting tired of wonderful things. Almost everyone of you can think of something you were enthusiastic about recently, but now the joy is faded. Your first day of vacation on the coast the sunset was breathtaking and made you so happy you could sing. But by the end of your stay you hardly noticed it anymore. Vacationers get tired of sunsets, millionaires get tired of money, kids get tired of toys, and *Christians get tired of doing good*." **Pastor John Piper** 

## Observations and Questions for Discussion:

- Share what the Holy Spirit has impressed on your heart and mind from this week's text. How has this passage realigned your thoughts, feelings, and actions with the truth of the gospel?
- What does Paul mean when he says "let the one who is taught the word share all good things with the one who teaches"?
- Discuss why proper teaching and preaching of the Word of God should be of great value?
- How has sound Bible teaching and greater understanding of the Scriptures impacted your life?
- How is the relationship between a bible teacher and bible student more of a partnership than a transactional relationship?
- Discuss how living as though we are not accountable to God is both self-deception and a mockery of His authority.
- What is the difference between sowing to the flesh in this passage and battling with the flesh as we
  explored earlier in Galatians? What's the ultimate result of sowing to our flesh? What's the end result of
  sowing to the Spirit and living in the gospel?
- Paul says in verse 9, "let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up." How are we ultimately able endure and not give up?
- How is doing good both relational and missional? What is our motivation to do good? (Ephesians 2:1-10)
- How does Jesus perfectly exemplify life in the Spirit?
- In light of the gospel discuss ways we can do good to others in our church family, the larger body of Christ, and those who do not yet know Christ.