

Galatians | Week 4 Bill Bush | 08.07.2022

BIG IDEA | COMMUNITY MATTERS!

Galatians 6:1-5 (NLT)

¹Dear 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. ² Share each other's burdens, and in this way obey the law of Christ. ³ If you think you are too important to help someone, you are only fooling yourself. You are not that important.

⁴ 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. ⁵ For we are each responsible for our own conduct.

Psalm 133:1-3 (NLT)

- ¹ How wonderful and pleasant it is when brothers live together in harmony!
- ² For harmony is as precious as the anointing oil that was poured over Aaron's head, that ran down his beard
 - and onto the border of his robe.
- ³ Harmony is as refreshing as the dew from Mount Hermon that falls on the mountains of Zion.

And there the Lord has pronounced his blessing, even life everlasting.

THE ENEMY IS AT WAR WITH COMMUNITY.

THE ENEMY WILL ALWAYS PRESENT A FALSE ENEMY TO DISTRACT YOU FROM FIGHTING HIM.

LIE #1: I'M FINE ON MY OWN.

Galatians 6:4-6 (NLT)

⁴ 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. ⁵ For we are each responsible for our own conduct.

⁶ Those who are taught the word of God should provide for their teachers, sharing all good things with them.

YOU CANNOT READ SCRIPTURE AND COME TO THE CONCLUSION THAT YOU ARE FINE ON YOUR OWN AND DON'T NEED PEOPLE.

Galatians 6:3 (NLT)

³ If you think you are too important to help someone, you are only fooling yourself. You are not that important.

Galatians 6:7-8 (NLT)

⁷ Don't be misled—you cannot mock the justice of God. You will always harvest what you plant. ⁸ 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.

LIE #2: COMMUNITY *SHOULDN'T* BE A STRUGGLE.

Galatians 6:9-10 (NLT)

⁹ 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. ¹⁰ Therefore, whenever we have the opportunity, we should do good to everyone—especially to those in the family of faith.

Matthew 26:36-39 (NLT)

³⁶ Then Jesus went with them to the olive grove called Gethsemane, and he said, "Sit here while I go over there to pray." ³⁷ He took Peter and Zebedee's two sons, James and John, and he became anguished and distressed. ³⁸ He told them, "My soul is crushed with grief to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me."

³⁹ He went on a little farther and bowed with his face to the ground, praying, "My Father! If it is possible, let this cup of suffering be taken away from me. Yet I want your will to be done, not mine."