

# Bear One Another's Burdens

## Galatians 6:2-5

It is no secret that we are becoming less social and more isolated from one another as a society. As we continue to move in this direction, how are we, as disciples going to respond? Are we going to show the world a better way? Are we going to continue striving to be close? Are we going to continue being actively involved in each other's lives?

We must if we are going to "bear one another's burdens."

### **This involves shouldering one another's loads (Galatians 6:2).**

- We are to weep with one another.
- We are to encourage one another (1 Thessalonians 5:11).
- We are to pray for one another (James 5:16).
- We are to help one another (Acts 2:43-46; 4:34-35; 6:1-7).
- We are to serve one another (Galatians 5:13).
- This requires us to get to know each other, trust one another, and genuinely caring for one another.

### **This involves overcoming a dangerous barrier (Galatians 6:3).**

- We must avoid being full of pride (Galatians 6:3). The prideful person thinks he is too good to help other people. He has a sinful attitude towards his brethren (Galatians 3:26-28).
- No one is better than anyone else in God's family. We need always to remember what we all have in common (Romans 3:23).

### **This involves measuring ourselves by the right standard (Galatians 6:4-5).**

- If we are going to avoid pride, we need to always measure ourselves by the right standard (Galatians 6:4). That standard is the word of God.
- We also need to make sure that we bear our load (Galatians 6:5). This means there will be times when I need you to help me and when I need to help you. This also means that even if you don't help me, I still need to do my part in the kingdom of God. There is never a good excuse for not doing what God demands!
- Regardless of what others do (or not do), I still have to work for the Lord.

### **Conclusion:**

Do you have burdens that you need help bearing?

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