Bear One Another's Burdens 9-6-2020

1) Restore

Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, <u>you who are spiritual</u> should restore him in a <u>spirit of gentleness</u>. <u>Keep watch on yourself</u>, lest you too be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

Galatians 6:1-2

My brothers, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and someone brings him back, let him know that whoever brings back a sinner from his wandering will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

James 5:19-20

Burden Bearing

Burdens are a reality in a fallen world

I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

John 16:33

We are not self-sufficient

Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you; he will never permit the righteous to be moved.

Psalm 55:22

I am not able to carry all this people alone; the burden is too heavy for me.

Numbers 11:14

For even when we came into Macedonia, our bodies had no rest, but we were afflicted at every turn—fighting without and fear within. But God, who comforts the downcast, comforted us by the coming of Titus,

2 Corinthians 7:5-6

Pride hinders our opportunities to bear burdens

For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor.

Galatians 6:3-4

Heavy Burdens vs. Light Loads
 For each will have to bear his own load.
 Galatians 6:5
 baros - weight or heavy load
 phortion - a man's pack

2) Flesh vs. Spirit

Let the one who is taught the word share all good things with the one who teaches. Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. 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.

Galatians 6:6-8

3) Final Encouragement

And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

Galatians 6:9-10

Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

1 Corinthians 15:58

So then, <u>as we have opportunity</u>, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

Galatians 6:10