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Galatians: The Gospel As It Should Be (part 13)

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The Pastor-Teacher/Pastoral Elder ... the congregation is to share ALL Good Things with him – if he's teaching the Word of God. Don't be deceived, God is NOT mocked ... if you don't God is taking notes.

How you TREAT your Pastor – is how you sow and reap – as of FIRST priority in → Sowing and Reaping

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Do I say these things on human authority? Does not the Law say the same? ⁹ For it is written in the Law of Moses, “You shall NOT muzzle an ox when it treads out the grain.” Is it for oxen that God is concerned? ¹⁰ Does he not certainly speak for our sake? It was written for our sake, because the plowman should plow in hope and the thresher thresh in hope of sharing in the crop. ¹¹ If we have SOWN SPIRITUAL things among you, is it too much if we REAP MATERIAL THINGS from you? ¹² If others share this rightful claim on you, do not we even MORE?

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It is clear, that the congregation should support their Pastor and/or Pastoral Team, etc. → SOWING and REAPING

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The Pastor should Reap Material things from the congregation

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The Congregation is getting (*reaping*) Spiritual Things from their Pastor-Teacher – they should SOW to the Spirit – by supporting him by giving good material things, respecting him, loving him, and learning and apply God's Word from him, etc.

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1 Timothy 5:17-18 (NKJV)

“Let the (*pastoral*) elders who rule well be counted worthy of double honor, ESPECIALLY those who LABOR in the WORD and DOCTRINE. ¹⁸ For the Scripture says, “You shall not muzzle an ox while it treads out the grain,” and, “The laborer is worthy of his wages.””

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1 Timothy 5:17-18 (NLT)

(Pastoral) Elders who do their work well should be RESPECTED and PAID well, ESPECIALLY those who WORK HARD at both PREACHING and TEACHING. ¹⁸ For the Scripture says, “You must NOT muzzle an ox to keep it from eating as it treads out the grain.” And in another place, “Those who work DESERVE their pay!”

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From these scriptural passages we just read – it is very obvious that a Paid, Full-Time, Pastoral-Elder/Pastor-Teacher is well within Biblical Mandates. If the Pastor is doing his job well, Teaching and Preaching God's Word – accurately, according to the original intended meanings, Equipping the saints for the work of the ministry, etc. it is obvious how the congregation should treat him (or the other pastors (pastoral team members) who doing the same)

Support: prayerful, respectful, financial, material, etc.

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The Pastoral-Elder / Pastor-Teacher is to work hard at helping those under his pastor-teaching care to get a GRIP.

To Get a Grip on God's Holy Word – and apply it to their lives according to the Original Intended Meanings of Scripture within the New Covenant, etc.

Are you a GRIPPER or a GRIPER? A Griper is like a spoiled rotten brat who thinks things are owed him/her – is a TAKER and NOT a Contributor. They sit back as a critic of the Pastor, complaining about his performance and “work”, etc. (i.e.: sowing to the flesh)

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With the First Priority of Sowing to the Spirit – Supporting our Pastor – as a first priority – and not supporting the one Equipping us in the Word of God – is like sowing to our own flesh. But, that is just one example of many. In context that is what Paul is talking about. But, let's take it a step further to the underlying Biblical Principle that can be seen in the OLD and New Testaments.

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But, let's take it a step further to the underlying Biblical Principle that can be seen in the OLD and New Testaments.

Sowing to the Spirit → sowing my time, efforts, talents, treasures toward loving Christ – trusting in Christ – following Christ – obeying Christ – according the Scriptures, alone ...

that is my first step (again, I cannot skip verse 6 in this, either).

Spending time, daily, consistently reading God's Word, Praying, Worshipping God, in Christ Jesus our Lord, King, God & Savior.

We experience God's LIFE in us, in Christ, by the Holy Spirit.

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Sowing to the FLESH → sowing my time, efforts, talents, treasures toward loving SELF – following SELF – trusting SELF – obeying SELF – according my selfish, self-centered, self-gratifying desires We really have to ignore – willfully – God’s Word, the promptings of the Holy Spirit to obey God, in Christ based upon the Bible. We must believe that it is OK – this once – to just ignore God and follow our own way – doing our own thing. God will forgive, later.

This is why Jesus said for us to “deny ourselves (daily), take up our cross (daily) and follow Him (daily)” (Luke 9:23 / Luke 14 ...)

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We reap Corruption. Corruption is twisted, upside down, backward, unusable, unsustainable, decaying, infectious, filthy, dirty – and will cause many regrets, later.

So, are you sowing to the Flesh (your old, sinful, selfish nature) or are you sowing to the Spirit (that which Pleases Jesus Christ)?

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Best Practices for Sowing to the Spirit →

Give to your Pastor, to your churches financial needs, etc.

Give your Pastor the respect, love, attention, etc. that he deserves

Give to Missions – spreading the Gospel to all people groups

Spend personal devotional time, daily, in the reading and studying of God's Holy Word, Prayerfully seeking Him, loving Him, worshipping Him

Spend Time in your local church family's gathering times:

Meeting Publicly and from House to House – be consistent

3. Don't Give up Being Good and Doing Good to others?

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**Our Human tendency is to Give UP – when it gets tough.
Tahiti sounds like a good destination during that time.**



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Notice the word - REAP – again ... and the Phrase: DUE Season ...

Paul has been using these types of phrases in verses 6-10

He is using Agricultural Phrases because they are familiar to us.

If the Farmer just didn't want to sow good seeds this year, he'd not reap any harvest. If he did sow, but then failed to reap ... well, you know ...

If the farmer gave up ... you see



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In the same way with – first (verse 6) supporting the Pastor, etc. and then in other areas of our lives, etc. We should not give up doing what is good and right in God's sight. Doing Good – implies doing what is good for the person, not for your self. It implies what is best, not just kind of barely giving what is ½ needed, maybe. We are to be full-hearted, not ½ hearted. Notice the Conditions of "IF" "As We"



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If we don't give up doing what is right and good for others ... per what God says in Scripture. In context, the first thing mentioned is supporting your pastor, and then doing good for everyone else. Doing Good means doing what Jesus would do in your skin. What did Jesus do? What would Jesus do? Read the New Testament.



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We will REAP some sort of “Reward” if we Don't Give Up. We will miss out on what God wants us to know, learn, etc. We will miss out of His Blessings of a closer relationship with Him. We will miss out on our growth in Christ, being transformed into being more like Christ. If we give up – will miss out on all that God wants us to experience and receive from Him.



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Sometimes I feel like giving up and going to Tahiti – hanging up my Pastor hat – giving in, giving up, hasta luego ...

But, He keeps urging me on with these passages. As long as I am preaching and teaching God's Word – I am sowing ...

As for y'all – you must hear God's heart wanting you, urging you to keep on ...



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Doing Good - ESPECIALLY to those who are of the HOUSEHOLD of FAITH. That's sounds like preference. That's sounds like favoritism Yes, it does. If you are in Christ, you have the Favor (Grace) of God. You are in the Family. So, you get special treatment. Receive it, believe it. But, also, we need to do it. You see, not everyone will want what we have to give. Gospel First, then other kinds of Christian Love.



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Gospel First, then other kinds of Christian Love. We will not come along and support their sinful lifestyle. But we will give them love that points them to Christ – or at least we should. We should not go to a Homosexual Pride Parade and give out “Free Hugs”. Don't do that.



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Doing Good - ESPECIALLY to those who are of the HOUSEHOLD of FAITH. But, for Genuine Believers, Born Again, Disciples of Jesus Christ, we are already family. We don't have to do Gospel First kinds of things, we can just do Family-Good kinds of things for one another. Especially, encouraging brethren in their faith in Christ and in sharing their faith with the Lost. Doing Good – **Eternal Perspective.**

