

Galatians 6 – Restoring a Christian

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Galatians 6:1-2 NASB

1 Brethren, **EVEN IF ANYONE IS CAUGHT** (*prolambano - to take, lay hold of, take possession, seize*) **IN ANY TRESPASS** (*paraptōma - sin, offence, transgression, fall, fault*), **YOU WHO ARE SPIRITUAL, RESTORE** (*katartizō - to repair, adjust, mend, restore*) **SUCH A ONE IN A SPIRIT OF GENTLENESS** (*mild disposition, meekness, humility*); **EACH ONE LOOKING TO YOURSELF, SO THAT YOU TOO WILL NOT BE TEMPTED.**

2 Bear one another's burdens, and thereby fulfill the law of Christ.

The Spirit of Gentleness

There are only three reasons to correct with harshness:

1. **Pride** - *exalting yourself on the faults or failures of others*
2. **Coercion or control** - *forced submission by applying psychological and emotional pressure*
3. **Uncontrolled emotion** - *anger, irritability, impatience*

Matthew 7:12 NASB

"In everything, therefore, treat people the same way you want them to treat you, for this is the Law and the Prophets."

1 Corinthians 9:19-22 NASB

19 **FOR THOUGH I AM FREE FROM ALL MEN, I HAVE MADE MYSELF A SLAVE TO ALL, SO THAT I MAY WIN MORE.**

20 To the Jews I became as a Jew, so that I might win Jews; to those who are under the Law, as under the Law though not being myself under the Law, so that I might win those who are under the Law;

21 to those who are without law, as without law, though not being without the law of God but under the law of Christ, so that I might win those who are without law.

22 To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak; **I HAVE BECOME ALL THINGS TO ALL MEN, SO THAT I MAY BY ALL MEANS SAVE SOME.**

Acts 16:1-3 NASB

1 Paul came also to Derbe and to Lystra. And a disciple was there, named Timothy, the son of a Jewish woman who was a believer, but his father was a Greek,

2 and he was well spoken of by the brethren who were in Lystra and Iconium.

3 **PAUL WANTED THIS MAN TO GO WITH HIM; AND HE TOOK HIM AND CIRCUMCISED HIM BECAUSE OF THE JEWS WHO WERE IN THOSE PARTS, FOR THEY ALL KNEW THAT HIS FATHER WAS A GREEK.**

James 5:19-20 NASB

19 My brethren, **IF ANY AMONG YOU STRAYS FROM THE TRUTH AND ONE TURNS HIM BACK,**

20 **LET HIM KNOW THAT HE WHO TURNS A SINNER FROM THE ERROR OF HIS WAY WILL SAVE HIS SOUL FROM DEATH AND WILL COVER A MULTITUDE OF SINS.**

1 Peter 4:8 NASB

"Above all, keep fervent in your love for one another, **BECAUSE LOVE COVERS** (*kalyptō* - hide, cover up, hinder the knowledge of) **A MULTITUDE OF SINS.**"

Proverbs 25:9-10 NASB

9 Argue your case with your neighbor, **AND DO NOT REVEAL THE SECRET OF ANOTHER,**

10 **OR HE WHO HEARS IT WILL REPROACH YOU, AND THE EVIL REPORT ABOUT YOU WILL NOT PASS AWAY.**

2 Timothy 2:24-26 NASB

24 **THE LORD'S BOND-SERVANT MUST NOT BE QUARRELSOME** (*machomai* - war of words, wrangle, fight, dispute), **BUT BE KIND** (*ēpios* - mild, gentle, affable - easy of conversation) **TO ALL, ABLE TO TEACH, PATIENT WHEN WRONGED,**

25 **WITH GENTLENESS** (*praÿtēs* - mild disposition, gentleness of spirit, meekness) **CORRECTING THOSE WHO ARE IN OPPOSITION** (*antidiatithēmi* - to place one's self in opposition, retaliate), **IF PERHAPS GOD MAY GRANT THEM REPENTANCE LEADING TO THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE TRUTH,**

26 **AND THEY MAY COME TO THEIR SENSES AND ESCAPE FROM THE SNARE OF THE DEVIL, HAVING BEEN HELD CAPTIVE BY HIM TO DO HIS WILL.**

Luke 22:31-34 NASB

31 "Simon, Simon, behold, Satan has demanded permission to sift you like wheat;

32 but I have prayed for you, that your faith may not fail; and you, when once you have turned again, strengthen your brothers."

33 But he said to Him, "Lord, with You I am ready to go both to prison and to death!"

34 And He said, "I say to you, Peter, the rooster will not crow today until you have denied three times that you know Me."

Galatians 2:11-14 NASB

11 But when Cephas came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he stood condemned.

12 For prior to the coming of certain men from James, he used to eat with the Gentiles; but when they came, he began to withdraw and hold himself aloof, fearing the party of the circumcision.

13 The rest of the Jews joined him in hypocrisy, with the result that even Barnabas was carried away by their hypocrisy.

14 But when I saw that they were not straightforward about the truth of the gospel, **I SAID TO CEPHAS IN THE PRESENCE OF ALL, "IF YOU, BEING A JEW, LIVE LIKE THE GENTILES AND NOT LIKE THE JEWS, HOW IS IT THAT YOU COMPEL THE GENTILES TO LIVE LIKE JEWS?"**

Matthew 18:12-17 NASB

12 What do you think? If any man has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go and search for the one that is straying?

13 If it turns out that he finds it, truly I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine which have not gone astray.

14 **SO IT IS NOT THE WILL OF YOUR FATHER WHO IS IN HEAVEN THAT ONE OF THESE LITTLE ONES PERISH.**

15 **IF YOUR BROTHER SINS** [later mss add "against you"], **GO AND SHOW HIM HIS FAULT IN PRIVATE; IF HE LISTENS TO YOU, YOU HAVE WON YOUR BROTHER.**

16 **BUT IF HE DOES NOT LISTEN TO YOU, TAKE ONE OR TWO MORE WITH YOU, SO THAT BY THE MOUTH OF TWO OR THREE WITNESSES EVERY FACT MAY BE CONFIRMED.**

17 **IF HE REFUSES TO LISTEN TO THEM, TELL IT TO THE CHURCH; AND IF HE REFUSES TO LISTEN EVEN TO THE CHURCH, LET HIM BE TO YOU AS A GENTILE AND A TAX COLLECTOR.**