"A Life of Doing Good!" Galatians 6:6-10

The beauty of the Christian life described as a life of "doing good!"

1. Doing Good: A Particular Example Vital to the Welfare of the Church v. 6

(1) The Support of Gospel Ministry

"One who his taught in the word must share all good things with the one who teaches."

- An example both of "bearing another's burden" (cf. v.2) and of doing good.
- To correct a possible misapprehension (cf. v. 5)

(2) The Teacher and the Taught

- -"The one who is taught" "the one who teaches" → Gk. KATECHEO ("catechize")
- All are to be engaged in the work of discipleship instruction in sound doctrine

(3) The Support: "Sharing all good things"

- The support rooted in our fellowship in Christ "share" Gk: KOINONEITO
- Certainly indicates financial support

"contribute"

cf. 1 Cor. 9:9-11

2. Doing Good throughout One's Life – A "Sowing to the Spirit" vv. 7-9

- (1) An Inescapable Principle in God's World "Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap."
 - A common proverb: "You reap what you sow."

An absolute maxim in the realm of agriculture! So an absolute maxim in the living of my life and the decisions that I make.

- The danger of losing sight of this

- The one who fails to believe this and live accordingly is deceived!
- God will not be mocked: Gk. mukteridzo mukter = "nose" So, to turn up the nose at one.

(2) Two Very Different "Sowings!"

- -1- "Sowing to the Flesh" and its Outcome "For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption..."
 - -"Planting seeds" in the realm of my flesh
 - Every decision significant! Like the planting of a seed!
 - The outcome: corruption, decay

-2- "Sowing to the Spirit" – and its Outcome

"but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life."

- Another description of "walking by the Spirit"
 - Being led by the Spirit Living according to the Word of God in obedience to God
- Every decision significant! Like the planting of a seed!

- Doing good - a "sowing to the Spirit"

"And let us not grow weary in doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up."

- A constant "planting of seed!"
- The power of the Spirit at work!
- Believing in a sure harvest! God promises such! Don't grow weary in it!
- A harvest of fruit in this life (cf. the fruit of the Spirit)
- A great harvest on the "great and final day."

3. Doing Good to Everyone

v. 10

(1) All of us called to this!

- No special job description needed!
- No ministry title needed!

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

(2) As we have opportunity

- Given our station in life, associations, gifts
- But also according to whom the Lord may put in front of us!
- Yet we are not to be overburdened.

(3) To all men

- Acts of kindness Acts of mercy
- Gospel testimony yes!

(4) To the family of God – A Special Priority