

You Reap What You Sow - Galatians 6:1-18

Ice Breaker: Talk about a time when you did some gardening. Discuss what seeds you used and any surprises you may have received when the seeds flowered.

Read 6:7-10. These are key verses to the framing of this passage. Make a note of any words or ideas which stand out in this section. Discuss.

What is the main idea/s here?

The Christian's goal is the well being of others. It is a direct connection with the heart of Jesus and intrinsically woven in with the essence of the Holy Spirit in us. In a sense our actions are evidence of which force drives us and those who are driven by the Spirit are called to eternal life. The reaping and sowing aspect of the passage outlines that there are definite consequences to which force we have chosen to give our wills over to.

Verses 6:1-6 outline a number of practical ways we can live in 'step' with the Spirit.

6:1 _____

6:2-5 _____

6:6 _____

The outwork of the Spirit is best described earlier in 5:13-14 (Read these verses).

As Jesus condensed the entire law into one command of love, so Paul reminds his readers that the true believer who is impacted by Jesus and has the Holy Spirit in them, will always give over his/her glory and self seeking nature to the higher calling of love to others.

Make a list of ways (in addition to 6:1-6) in which we can practically love others.

Prayer

Give Thanks To God that He has given us his Spirit, and that he has given us a heart to love others sacrificially.

Pray for a desire to give over to the higher goal of loving others.