

Introduction: the Grace of God is not only meant by God to save us, but to transform us into the image of his dear Son in this life to bring glory to God. It is evidenced through the Crucified, abiding life visibly seen in the fruit-bearing believer contrasted to the natural man or carnal believer as identified in the previous chapter.

Verses 1-10: Love is the fulfilling of the law...

1. For God so loved the world, that he gave...His Son for _____
 1. The natural man is first and foremost in love with himself.
 2. The love of the Spirit-filled believer is _____ and _____
 3. A spiritual believer is simply one who has learned to _____ the Holy Spirit in all things (remember, we all can be and are called to be Spirit-filled)
 4. The _____ Christian - even _____ lifts up its own fallen. A true mark of a spiritual believer is mercy and pity in love for another saint who has gone astray, and seeking to restore them, not _____ them. (It could be YOU next!)
 5. The _____ Christian - every believer will become stricken with the weights of this life. God seeks his children to be giving of themselves to _____ their siblings. If we don't care or care to know, we are not living Christ.
 1. NOTE: we must _____ others know that we need help; dont be proud. (Fine line) Verse 3 makes it clear we are to _____ ourselves.
 2. We are to _____ ourselves (v4).
 3. We are to also remember that we are all still _____ to God for ourselves. Such burdens no one else can share.
2. Loving the things of the Lord...Sowing and Reaping
 1. V6. God addresses the responsibility of believers to their _____ in many scriptures. It is sowing and reaping. (Hebrews 13:7,17; 1 Tim.5:1, 17-20; 1 Pet.5:1-5...)
 1. Many problems in the home and community are done by those who _____ their pastor in front of their children or the public.
 2. Lift them up in prayer; help support them with encouragement, with your " _____ things," with your fellowship and your _____-ship!
3. Especially the Brethren - doing Good unto all men.
 1. Love of God is a Verb; its an action UNTO mankind. We are not spiritual if we are not seeking the _____ of our neighbors, especially their eternal destiny.
 2. Regarding the brethren, we need to focus on our attitudes and actions towards them, for it will tell us whether or not we are being obedient to Walk in the Spirit.
 3. Seek to be a _____ to them.
 4. _____sowing to the Spirit all of your life, no matter what.

Verses 11-18: Will I bring glory to God?

1. Legalism has its motives in the glory of the flesh in a boasting manner.
 1. Seeks to avoid Persecution (self-_____ the strongest of the natural desires)
 2. Seeks to create followers in constraining manners for their own _____
2. Biblical Christianity has its glory in the Cross of Christ.
 1. God forbid that we should glory in anything of the _____
 2. _____ Circumcision is far superior to the law's circumcision. Col 2:11 "In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ:" 2 Co. 5:17; Eph. 4:24;
 3. By the act of Christ's death & resurrection, the world is crucified unto us and we are crucified unto the world. = _____
 4. 1 John 2:15-17 - ALL that is in the world...is not of the Father. _____
3. If we, like Paul, will believe this doctrine & daily walk in the Spirit, we will bring glory to God in our bodies and gladly see it all through the eternal eyes of God.
4. Philippians 1:20-21 _____