



# Galatians 6:1-5

Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. For each will have to bear his own load.

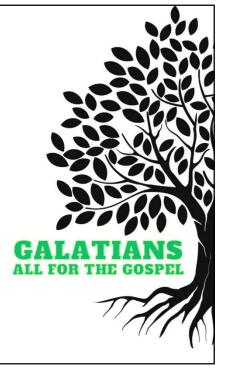


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# Keep Watch - vs. 1

The Snare

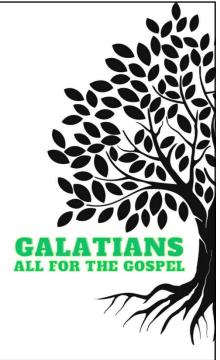
Be on high alert to avoid sin
 James 1:13–15
 Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being
 tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil,
 and he himself tempts no one. But each person is
 tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own
 desire. Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to
 sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.



The Snare

- Be on high alert to avoid sin
- Rightminded, watchful, resisting firm in faith 1 Peter 5:8–9

Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world.



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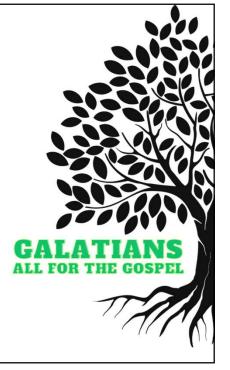
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- · Be on high alert to avoid sin
- · Rightminded, watchful, resisting firm in faith
- Submitting to God, resisting the devil, and the devil must flee

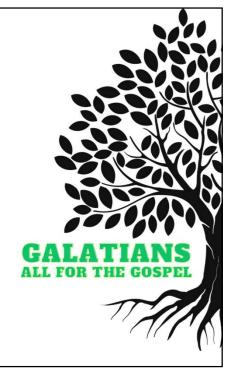
James 4:7

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.



The Snare

- Be on high alert to avoid sin
- Rightminded, watchful, resisting firm
- Submitting to God, resisting the devil, and the devil must flee
- · Nipping the sin at the start
  - Respond to conviction with repentance
  - · Avoid the temptations for sin



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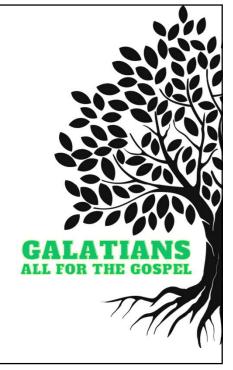
**Importance** 

- · Personal intimacy with God
- · Ability to identify sin in self and others
- Ability to edify (help) other believers



The Snare Importance Spiritual

Walking in step with the Spirit
 Galatians 5:25
 If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit.



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The Snare Importance Spiritual

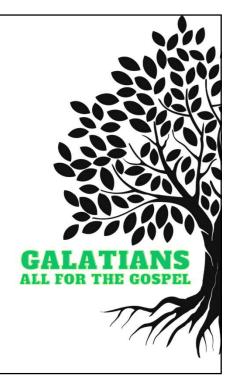
- Walking in step with the Spirit
- Gratifying the Spirit not the flesh
   Galatians 5:16
   But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the
   desires of the flesh.



The Snare Importance

Spiritual

- · Walking in step with the Spirit
- · Gratifying the Spirit not the flesh
- Your personal walk with God is important in the body... the church
- A spiritually unhealthy believer is not in the position to help another unhealthy believer
  - · Incorrect views of Scripture
  - · Justifications for sin



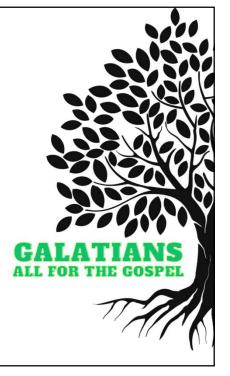
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The Snare Importance Spiritual

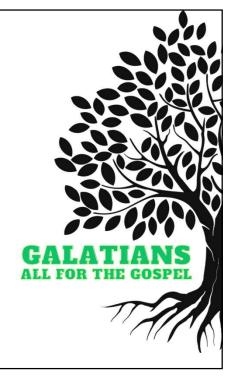
Restoring Is The Goal

- Compassion seeing others as Christ sees them
- Caring enough to see a right relationship with Christ
- Maintaining unity in the body –
   Matthew 18:15-20; Philippians 4:2,3;
   1 Timothy 1:18-20; Colossians 4:10



The Snare Importance Spiritual Restoring Is The Goal Gentleness

- Allowing the Holy Spirit to work
- Not forceful
- Not judgmental



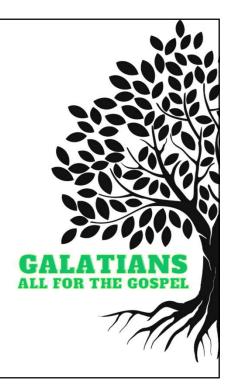
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### **The Heart's Motivation**

**Judging Others** 

 Self-denial; heart is wrong Matthew 7:1–5

"Judge not, that you be not judged. For with the judgment you pronounce you will be judged, and with the measure you use it will be measured to you. Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? Or how can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when there is the log in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye."



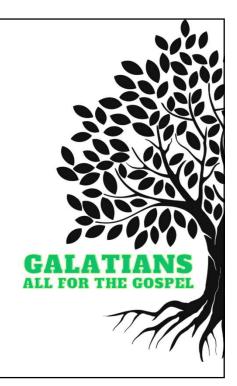
### The Heart's Motivation

**Judging Others** 

- · Self-denial; heart is wrong
- Causes more barriers Romans 14:10–13

Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; for it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God."

So then each of us will give an account of himself to God. Therefore let us not pass judgment on one another any longer, but rather decide never to put a stumbling block or hindrance in the way of a brother.



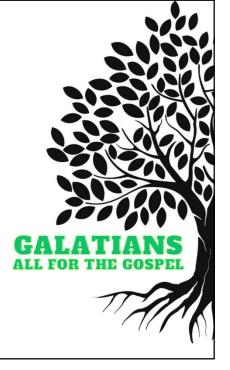
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### **The Heart's Motivation**

**Judging Others** 

- · Self-denial; heart is wrong
- · Causes more barriers
- Judgment restricts mercy James 2:13

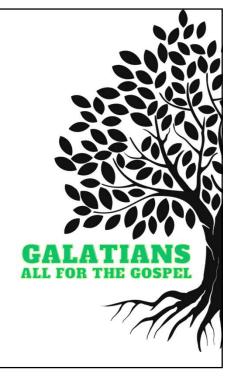
For judgment is without mercy to one who has shown no mercy. Mercy triumphs over judgment.



# Keep Bearing - vs. 2

God's Design

- · Our purpose is to glorify God
- · Glorifying occurs when we have intimacy with God
- · We cannot love God and not love others



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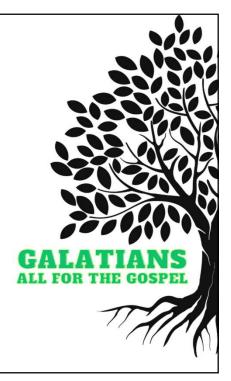
God's Design

**Enabled To Bear** 

- · Common adoption... God is our Father
- · Common spirit... the Holy Spirit in us
- Common salvation... grace given through Jesus
  - · Jesus the ultimate bearing... our sin on the cross
  - · With Jesus

Matthew 11:28-30

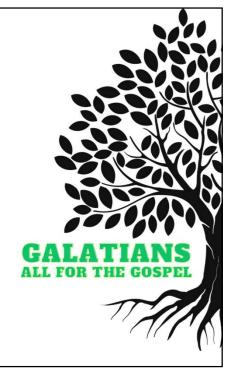
"Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."



# Keep Bearing - vs. 2

God's Design Enabled To Bear Fulfilling The Law Of Christ

- Following the examples of Jesus earthly ministry
- Understanding the Mosaic Law with place and practices
- · Love God whole heartedly
- · Love others as yourself



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# Keep Bearing - vs. 2

God's Design Enabled To Bear Fulfilling The Law Of Christ Demonstration To Others

- Bearing with others demonstrates discipleship to Christ
- Willingness to bear with one another demonstrates love for God

1 John 4:19-21

We love because he first loved us. If anyone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.

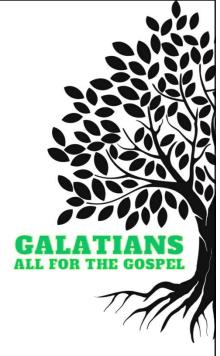


# Keep In Check - vs. 3-5

### Humility

 Placing the interest of others ahead of yourself Philippians 2:3–5

Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus,



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- Placing the interest of others ahead of yourself Philippians 2:3–5
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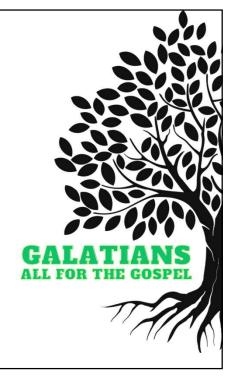


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Humility

Self Test

- Know the Holy Spirit's guidance
- · Know the purity of your heart for God
- · Know the purity apart from sin



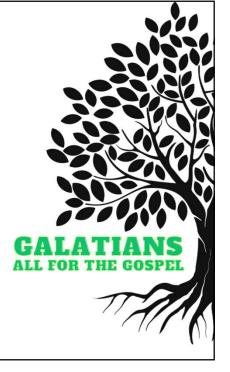
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Humility Self Test

**How You Bear Matters** 

- Remember the issue of legalism "Grace + \_\_\_\_\_"
- Remember the naysayers opposed to Paul because of his persecution
- Remember the obligation Romans 15:1–7



### Romans 15:1-7

We who are strong have an obligation to bear with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to build him up. For Christ did not please himself, but as it is written, "The reproaches of those who reproached you fell on me." For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

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# Compassion, Forgiveness, Bearing... Not In Your Strength... Only In Walking With The Holy Spirit. Colored Control Con