

Galatians – Part VIII

I'm Too Tired: How to Find Strength & Motivation

Galatians 6:6-10

Message Discussion Guide

Connect

- Does it seem like people get tired more or less than in years past? With much of life so much easier today because of technology and advancement, why is everyone so tired?

Discover

- Which statement or experience stood out to you from the worship service?
- Read Galatians 6:7.
 - Why does Paul warn “don’t be deceived,” and “God is not mocked,” before he states this universal law of life?
 - Traditionally Bible teachers have pointed out three lessons that can be learned from the principle “you reap what you sow.” They have said (1) you “reap **WHAT** you sow;” (2) you “reap **AFTER** you sow;” (3) you “reap **MORE THAN** you sow.” What do you think each of those truths teaches?
- Read Galatians 6:9-10.
 - Why does Paul instruct believers to not get tired instead of instructing us to just work harder to serve?
 - What do you think is the “proper time” that Paul writes about?
 - Why does Paul say to do good for “all,” and then say especially those who “belong to the household of faith?” Why did he emphasize both descriptions?
- Read Hebrews 12:1-2.
 - According to verse 1, why should we lay aside sin? Why does that matter?
 - What did Jesus focus on in order to endure the cross? How did that help him?
 - What does it mean that we should “run with endurance” (v. 1) by “keeping our eyes on Jesus” (v. 2)?

Respond

- Why do people often think they are the exception to the rule that we reap what we sow in every area of life?
- How does keeping our focus on the promised harvest help us not to grow weary?

Bonus for Thinkers

- Does this passage (and other passages) suggest that our experience of heaven will be very different from person to person depending on each person’s faithfulness in this time?

First Baptist Nacogdoches Bible Reading Plan

Day	Scripture
Monday (4/6)	Galatians 6:1-10
Tuesday (4/7)	Hebrews 12:1-29
Wednesday (4/8)	Hebrews 13:1-25
Thursday (4/9)	Ephesians 1:1-23
Friday (4/10)	Ephesians 2:1-22

Daily Devotion Questions

Monday (4/6) — Galatians 6:1-10

- Review the “Respond” questions from yesterday’s message discussion guide.

Tuesday (4/7) — Hebrews 12:1-29

- According to 12:1 there are two things that we must do before we can run the race set before us. Write those two things down. Talk to the Lord about exactly what that means you need to set aside in your life.
- Why did Jesus endure the cross (12:2)? What does this mean?
- What is one of the clearest indicators that you are a genuine child of God according to 12:7-11? When and how has God disciplined you for your sin?
- What is the difference between God’s discipline and God’s judgment? How can you tell which you are experiencing?

Wednesday (4/8) — Hebrews 13:1-25

- Write down three common ways people defile the marriage bed (13:4)? If you are married, how can you bring honor to your marriage bed?
- Rate yourself from one to ten in your contentment with material things (13:5). What is one material thing you are desiring right now, that you really don’t need? Write that down and ask the Lord to help you be more content with what he has blessed you with.
- Write down the four burdens spiritual leaders such as pastors carry (13:17-19). From this list, spend a couple minutes praying for the spiritual leaders in your life.
- Do you think you have ever encountered an angel? How can you show hospitality to strangers in your life?

Thursday (4/9) — Ephesians 1:1-23

- In 1:3-5, what do we learn about whether we choose God or God chose us? When did God make his choice? What does this show you about God’s love for you?
- According to 1:13-14, believers have been sealed with the Holy Spirit for a certain purpose. What is that purpose? How does that bring encouragement and security to you?
- How often does Paul say he prays for the Christians in Ephesus (1:16)? Who are some of the people you feel God wants you to pray this way for? Write down ten names and spend a moment praying for each person.

Friday (4/10) — Ephesians 2:1-22

- According to 2:1, we were dead in our sins. What has God done to fix that problem (2:4-8)? Make a list of what God has done to make his children alive again.
- We learn in 2:8-9 that we are not saved as the result of works. What does he mean by “works”? What works are many people wrongly trusting in for Salvation?
- Read 2:18-22. Write down one role the Bible describes for each member of the trinity: God the Father, Jesus Christ the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- Read Ephesians 2:8-10. Works are seen in these verses as having a negative and a positive role. Explain the differences.