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Grounded in the Gospel & Grace



Doing Good Well

(Galatians 6:6-10)

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6 Let the one who is taught the word share all good things with the one who teaches. **7** Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. **8** For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. **9** And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. **10** So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

(Galatians 6:6-10)



Difficulties Preaching Galatians 6:6-10

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“These passages [referring to Galatians 6:6 and others] are all meant to benefit us ministers. I must say I do not find much pleasure in explaining these verses. I am made to appear as if I am speaking for my own benefit.”

(Martin Luther)





Structure of Galatians 6:6-10

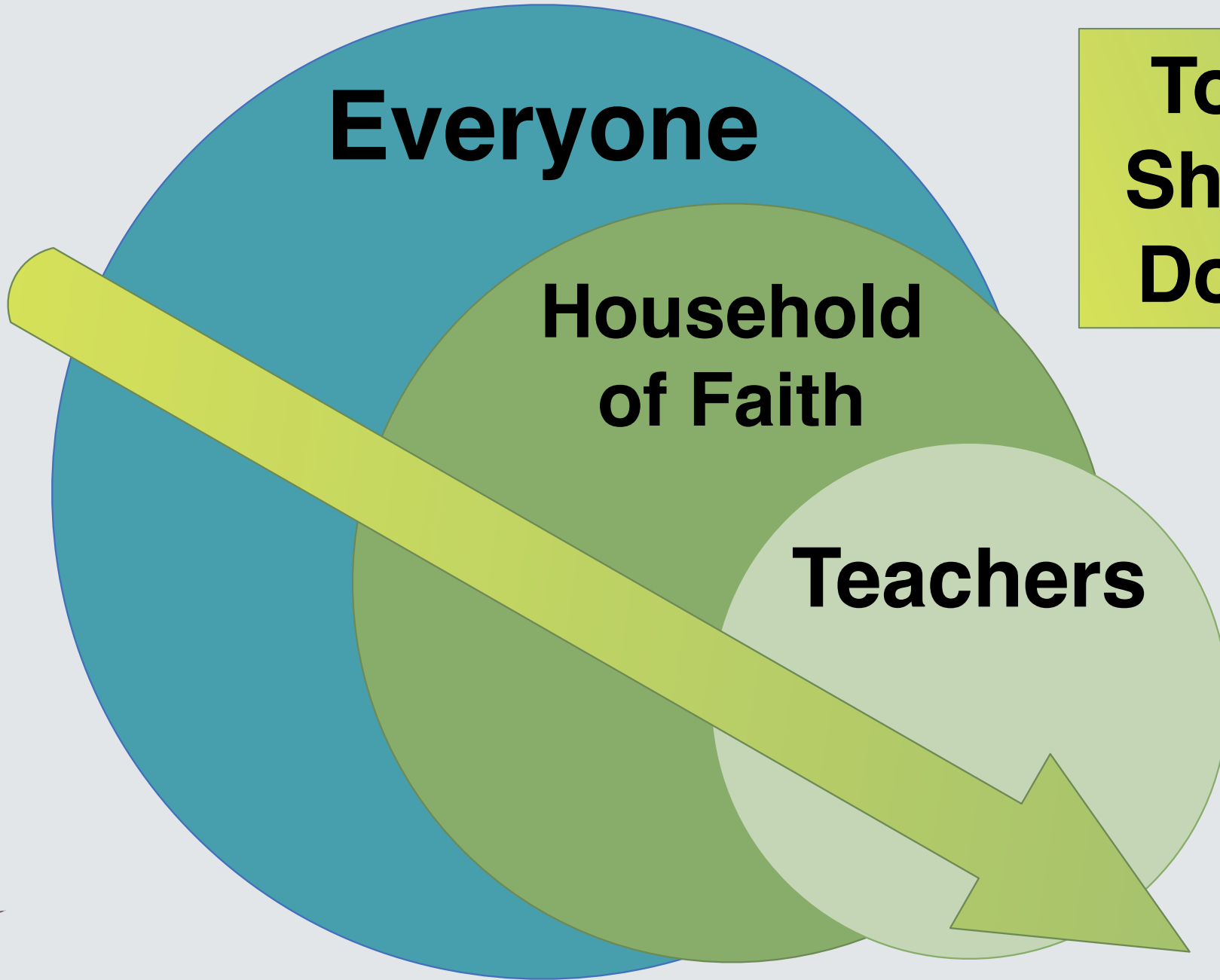
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- A. Church's Responsibility to Teachers (6:6)**
- B. Personal Accountability for Doing Good (6:7-8)**
- A. Church's Responsibility to All—Especially Her Members (6:9-10)**



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**To Whom
Should We
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“So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.”

(Galatians 6:10)



Galatians 6:10: “let us do good to everyone”

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1. To Whom Should We Do Good? — Everyone
2. Who is “Everyone”?
3. How Should We Do Good to Everyone?





Doing Good to Everyone

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Principle #1: Exemplify the “Law of Christ” (Gal 6:2),
that is, the Laws of Love (Mt 22:37-40)

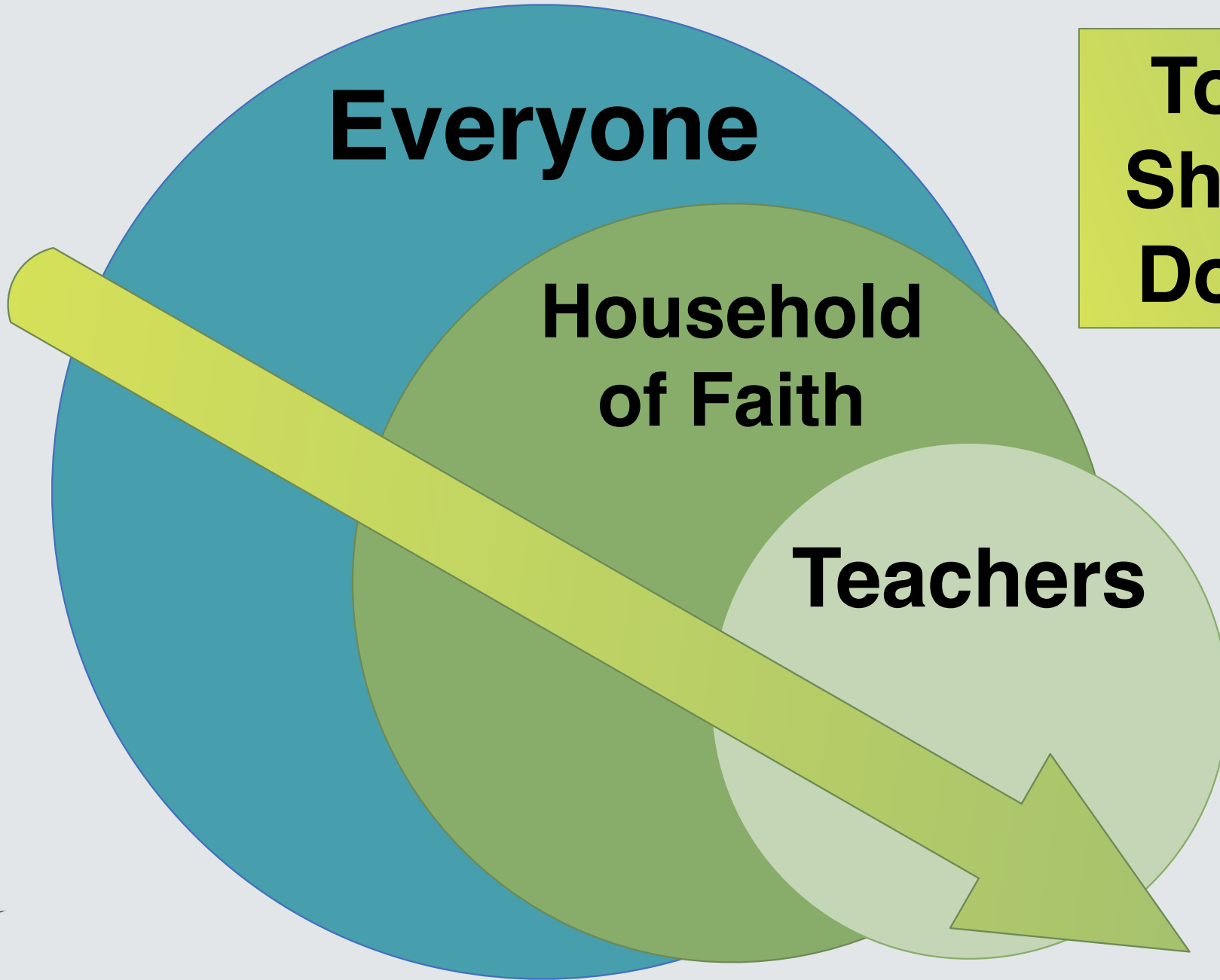
Principle #2: Express Christ’s Love in Tangible,
Concrete Ways

Principle #3: Above All Else, Share the Gospel



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Everyone

**Household
of Faith**

Teachers

**To Whom
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Galatians 6:10: “especially to those who are of the household of faith.”

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1. To Whom Should We Do Good? — Household of Faith
2. Who is “the Household of Faith”?
3. How Should We Do Good to Our Fellow Christians?



Doing Good to the Household of Faith

Principle #1: Exemplify the “Law of Christ” (Gal 6:2),
that is, the Laws of Love (Mt 22:37-40)

Principle #2: Create a Culture of Care

Principle #3: Build One Another Up to Maturity



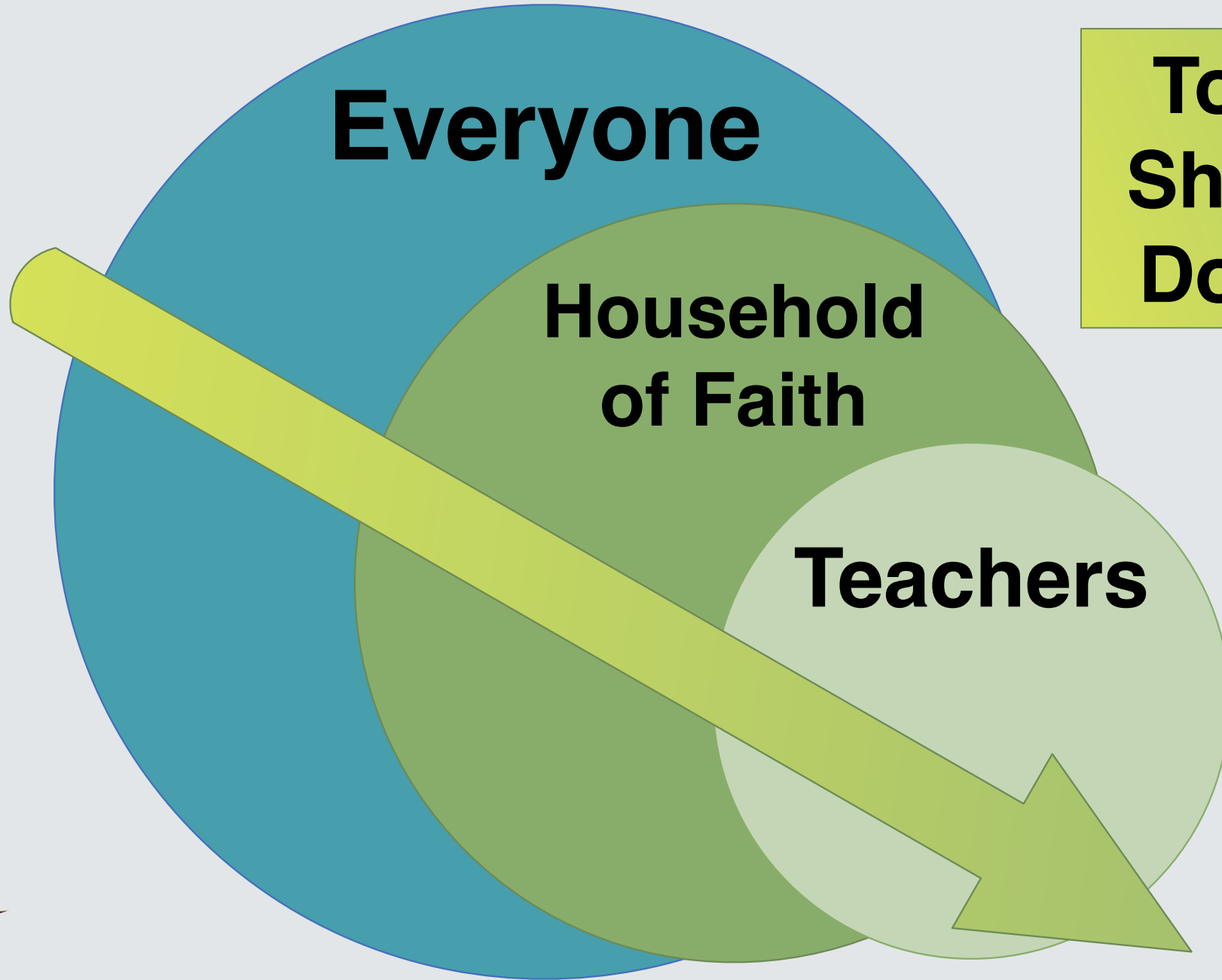
“[S]peaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.”

(Ephesians 4:15-16)



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(Galatians 6:6)



Galatians 6:6: “share all good things with the one who teaches.”

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1. To Whom Should We Do Good? — Teachers
2. Why Single Out Teachers?
3. How Should We Do Good to Teachers?





Sharing All Good Things with Teachers

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Financial Care: “Good Things” (e.g., Lk 1:53; 12:18-19)

Spiritual Care: Accountability and Prayer

Physical/Emotional Care: Give Teachers Rest and Understanding



“Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

Brothers, pray for us.”

(1 Thessalonians 5:23-25)



Responsibilities of a Pastor

- Preparation of Sermons
- Delivery of Sermons
- Teaching / Bible Study
- Prayer
- Leadership and Administration
- Leadership and Staff Development
- Personal Development
- Staff Meetings
- Participation in Local Missions
- Participation in Global Missions
- Disciple-making
- Counseling
- Hospital / Shut-in Visits
- Grounds Keeping and Repairs
- Facilitate Religious Ceremonies
- Financial Oversight



Do Not Stop Doing Good

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“Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption [or “destruction”], but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.”

(Galatians 6:7-9)

