

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS (Page 1)

What are some of the fixer upper types of shows you watch? What do you like about them?

As a child, were you ever caught "red-handed" in mischief? Have you ever caught somebody red-handed in a sin? What did you say or do?

Have you ever attempted to restore someone? How did it go and what did you learn?

Read Gal 6:1. What is the most difficult part of restoring a fallen Christian for you? What steps could you take to overcome that challenge?

Do you think Gal 6:1-6 applies to unbelievers? Why/why not?

Do you think co-dependency or never helping someone is more of an issue today in the church?

Read Gal 6:2-5. How can we determine what burden should be carried by a person, and what burden may appropriately require assistance in?

How important is it for us to be patient and gentle in restoring someone? Read Gal 6:1-2.



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Have you ever denied assistance to another Christian because of your understanding of these verses? What did you say and how was it received?

What advice would you give to someone who is in a co-dependent relationship?

What do you think Gal 6:6 means?

Is there someone that comes to mind that this passage is prompting you to restore?

Spend time praying for fallen Christians we know.

NOTES & QUESTIONS



Leader's Guide

FREE 9: Helping others to freedom. Gal 6:1-6

OVERVIEW

In Galatians 6:1-6 Paul offers the inspiration and prescription for restoring a fallen Christian. His instructions provide clear direction on not just how to proceed in approaching someone who has lost their way, but also the easily overlooked process of walking alongside the fallen one after they've stumbled. We are all fixer uppers and we are all restorers!

OUTLINE & SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

Helping Others To Freedom Gal 6:1-6

- 1. All of us end up being a "fixer-upper" at some time in our lives. 6:1; 2 Tim 2:26
- 2. God calls all of us to be a part of the restoration process. 6:1; 1 Thess 5:14
- 3. Restoring others takes great patience & care. 6:1
- 4. Plan on the restoration process costing more than you planned and taking longer than you thought. 6:2-3; Ro 15:1
- 5. Every restoration project has an end. 6:4-6;

Why is restoration worth it?

- 1. Because people matter to God
- 2. Because people matter to one another.
- 3. Because it's such a waste to just throw them out or let them go.
- 4. Because restoration is the work of Jesus.
- * Misc vvs on restoring the fallen: Pro 3:12; Cor 10:17; Gal 5:14; 1 John 1:8; Rev 3:19