

# Restoring Gently in Moral Matters

Read Galatians 6:1-5.

Review the details of verse 1.

*brothers –*

*caught in a sin –*

*you who are spiritual –*

*restore –*

*gently –*

*you also may be tempted –*

“Carry each other’s burdens.” How does that command relate back to “if someone is caught in a sin”?

What do you think *the law of Christ* is in this context?

How does the statement in verse 3 relate back to the warning in verse 1?

What does your failing to try to restore someone else say about you?

An acquaintance of the family, an individual who was once confirmed at your congregation, is gay and has announced an upcoming marriage to the gay partner. They say they love each other and are deeply committed to each other. They are inviting your family to come celebrate the wedding ceremony at a local park. Some of your family has refused to go, saying, “I won’t support a gay marriage.” Others of your family are going, saying, “Who are we to judge two people who love each other?”

What are you going to say and do?

Read 1 Corinthians 5:1-13.

What might verses 1-5 have to say to the situation above?

How might verses 6-8 apply to the above situation?

How might verses 9-13 affect what you say and do in the above situation?

What if the gay person in the above scenario was never a member of any church as far as you know?

Would your words and actions be any different?

Read 1 Corinthians 6:9-11.

What might verses 9 and 10 have to say to the situation above?

What might verse 11 have to say to the situation above?

Final Discussion

How do you restore a person who has bought into the thinking of moral relativism?