

Restoring Gently in Moral Matters

Read Galatians 6:1-5.

Review the details of verses 1-3.

brothers –

caught in a sin –

you who are spiritual –

restore –

gently –

you also may be tempted –

carry each other's burdens –

the law of Christ –

deceives himself –

What is Paul encouraging each one to do in verse 4? What is he telling each one not to do?

“Then he can take pride in himself.”

Compare that statement with 6:14.

What do you think Paul means by “Then he can take pride in himself”?

Explain the difference between verse 5 and verse 3.

You are a sinner, too. On what basis are you approaching someone to restore him or her?

A family you know receives food stamps. The husband does not earn a lot of money, and the wife stays at home with the three young kids. A retired couple you know learned of the young family's situation. In your hearing, the retired couple has been making comments to the effect of, "We made it without government support. We worked hard and we survived." How do you handle this situation?

Read 2 Thessalonians 3:6-15.

What moral matter is involved in these verses?

What do these verses have to say to the situation above?

What do verses 14-15 teach you about trying to restore someone?

Final Discussion

How do you approach parents to restore them considering that you are told to honor your parents?

How do you try to restore someone when you fear you could lose a relationship with that person?