

## Belonging: *"I will build my church" - Jesus*

### *The Burden of a Brother*

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Galatians 6:1-10

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**Introduction:** You belong. And we say it a lot. Because it tells us something about you. And it tells us something about us. Because you can't belong by yourself. Belonging is a thing that requires others. To whom do we belong? And with whom do we belong? And for what purpose do we belong? These are questions Jesus answers like no one else before or since. He says, "I will build my church?" What does it mean to belong to Jesus and to the church he's still building?

**Prayer:** Sovereign God, We Look to you for understanding. Help us to see what you have for us in this passage of scripture. Amen

**Review:** How did you find ways to express the value of unity in the church?

**Read:** Galatians 6:1-10

### **Discussion:**

1. What burdens should we carry for each other? Why should we do this? Are there burdens that we should not or cannot carry for another person?
2. One of the burdens we may carry is error and sin in a friend. What do you need to watch for when correcting someone? What is the goal of correction?
3. How are you sharing good things with your Pastors? How are you sharing their load?
4. What causes you to feel weary? What help do you receive from Isaiah 40:28-31; 1 Corinthians 15:57-58 and Hebrews 12:1-3?

**Application:** Talk to God about your burdens and the burdens you are carrying for others. Ask for clarity about what you are doing and how you are doing it.

**Prayer:** Holy God, thank you forgiving us brothers and sisters in Christ to share life with. Direct us and equip us to live as you want us to. Amen