

**Partnership in the
Ministry of the Word**
Galatians 6:6



**“Take-home” truth: Spiritual benefit brings with it
spiritual responsibility.**

Introduction: *When God uses someone to be a benefit and blessing to you through the ministry of the Word, you have a responsibility to minister to him.* On one side is the teacher and on the other is the one being taught. Between them a partnership takes place. Paul teaches that this is an important part of every believer’s spiritual responsibility so that the work of God can go forward as it ought.

**I. Our spiritual responsibility is in the realm of the
ministry of God’s Word.**

A. The ministry of God’s Word requires *teachers*.

1. The risen Christ gave gifted teachers to the church.

2. The Holy Spirit enables men to teach the Word.

B. The ministry of God’s Word requires a *relationship* with those being taught.

1. The ministry of teaching demands earnestness because it carries obligation and accountability.
2. The church (those who are taught) must have a heart response and acknowledge the ministry of their teachers.
3. This relationship is important because the ministry of God’s Word leads us to Christ.
4. This relationship is *central* to spiritual growth and maturity.

**II. Our spiritual responsibility is to partner with our
teachers.**

A. We have a partnership in the ministry of the Word.

B. This partnership is intended to meet the needs of those who minister the Word.

C. This partnership brings spiritual blessings to those who *share* in it.