

Too High to Help Galatians 6:3-5



Introduction: Galatians 6:1-2 give us some spiritual responsibilities. Verse 1 teaches that a Spirit-led person will be ready to give spiritual help to those who have **fallen**. If a spiritual person encounters someone who is engaged in sin, he will seek to restore that person. Verse 2 addresses those who are spiritually **faltering**. Brothers and sisters in Christ will come under crushing burdens and Spirit-led people will come alongside and shoulder the load for them. What would keep people from doing that? Paul puts his finger on the root issue: **pride**.

“Take-home” truth: Our *pride* keeps us from obeying the Spirit’s leading to restore others or bear their burdens.

I. **Pride is self-inflated perception. (6:3a)**

- A. We tend to think we’re *something*.
- B. Apart from God’s grace, we are actually *nothing*.

II. **Pride comes from self-deception. (6:3b)**

III. **Pride hinders us from providing spiritual help to others. (6:1-3)**

- A. Pride makes us more concerned about ourselves than others.
- B. Pride causes us to be judges rather than servants.
- C. Pride prevents us from understanding our own weakness.

IV. **Pride is a result of comparing ourselves to the wrong standard. (6:4-5)**

- A. We must examine our own actions as those who will be held accountable. (4a)
- B. Any boast we have is about what God has done for us and not what we have done. (4b)
- C. We must carry out the responsibilities which God has given us. (5)