

CHURCH LEADERSHIP

Church leaders bear burdens but also oversee it occurring across the whole church family.

Responsibilities of elders/overseers/pastors

- **Lead.** Titus 1:7; 1 Tim. 5:17; 1 Peter 5:2-3
- **Teach.** Titus 1:9; 1 Tim. 5:17; Eph. 4:12
- **Guard.** Acts 20:28; Titus 1:9
- **Care.** Acts 20:35; James 5:14

Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are **keeping watch over your souls**, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you.

Hebrews 13:17

Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. 2 Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

3 For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. 4 But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. 5 For each will have to bear his own load.

Galatians 6:1-5

The Command

Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

Galatians 6:2





**THE CHRISTIAN LIFE IS MEANT TO BE
LIVED WITH A SPOTTER.**

The Attitude: Humility

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Galatians 6:1b, 3-5

An Example

SITUATION

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WHO

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Galatians 6:1

16 But I say, **walk by the Spirit**, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh... 22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control;... 25 If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

Galatians 5:16, 22-23

An Example

GOAL

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HOW

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The Motivation

Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

Galatians 6:2

For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. 14 For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

Galatians 3:13-14

37And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. ... 39... You shall love your neighbor as yourself. 40On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”

Matthew 22:37–40

...love one another as I have loved you.
13 Greater love has no one than this,
that someone lay down his life for his
friends.

John 15:12b -13

4 Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. 5 But he was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his stripes we are healed.

Isaiah 53:4-5

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

1 Peter 5:24