

# DOING GOOD

When the apostle Paul closed his letter to the churches in Galatia, he gave a number of exhortations to instruct and encourage these Christians. Listen to chapter 6, verses 9 and 10...

*“And let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time we shall reap if we do not grow weary. So then, while we have opportunity, let us do good to all men, and especially to those who are of the household of the faith.”*

Now, note three important points that exhort us to action:

- 1. Don't get discouraged in doing good things.** To “lose heart” means to be discouraged and quit. Paul implies that our purpose as followers of Christ is to go about doing good things. The motivation is “*in due time we shall reap if we do not grow weary.*” That is, if we don't give up, we'll ultimately reap eternal life (see v. 8).
- 2. Do good to all men.** We now have opportunity, while living on earth among men, to do some good for others. This means doing good to those who are nice to us and those who aren't so nice to us. Let's not get upset at the waitress, the postman, or the bill collector. Let's consider these opportunities to do some good.
- 3. Especially do good to Christians.** Our brothers deserve our best efforts. Let's be thoughtful of one another. Instead of finding fault with one another, let's take the opportunity, while we have it in this life, to do some very good things for one another.

Life is short... let's *keep on keeping on* for the Lord!

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