Series: Free in Christ

<u>Title</u>: AS WE HAVE OPPORTUNITY

Text: Gal. 6:6-10

INTRODUCTION: (Verses 1-5) Paul teaches on the life of the Spirit as it pertains to our treatment of people that are backslidden.

Three uses of money are mentioned:

1. The support of the Church & Teacher. (v.6) (1 Cor 9:14)

A church pays its expenses, through Tithes and Offerings. (Mal 3:8-12) (Prov 3:9-10) (Matt 22:21) (Lk 11:42) (1 Cor 16:2)

- 2. <u>Use of money to build up the Life of the Spirit rather than to Feed the Flesh</u>. (Vs 7-8)
- 3. Spending of money to help others, particularly Christians:(v10)
- **I. THE PRECEPT. v.6** (Matt. 6:21)
- II. THE PRINCIPLE. v.7
 - **A. DECEPTION.** (Vs 7a) "Be not deceived; " (1 Cor 2:14)
 - **B.** <u>DECLARATION</u>. (Vs 7b) "God is not mocked"
 - C. **<u>DEFINITION</u>**. (Vs 7c) "that shall he also reap."

THREE TRUTHS:

- 1. "You Reap What You Sow!" Like begets like: (Ecc 11:9)
- 2. "You Reap More Than You Sow!" Reap more than one sows,
- 3. "You Reap Later Than You Sow!"

Consequences are Inescapable: Consequences are Unavoidable. Consequences are Up to God:

III. THE PREOCCUPATION. (Vs 8)

A. SOWING TO THE FLESH. (Vs 8a) (Job 4:8)

Solution:

STEP 1: Repent! Confess! Seek the Lord. (1 Jn 1:9) **STEP 2:** Sow to the Spirit: (Vs 8b) (II Cor. 9:6-8)

STEP 3: Sow, Sow, Sow, and Sow Some More

IV. THE PROMISE. (Vs 9)

A. HINDRANCES. (Vs 9a)

What exhausts your Physical strength? Over exertion, Lack of sleep?

Change your habits.

Recognizing what you are forfeiting.

What exhausts your Emotional strength?

Toxic work environment? No support? Change your self esteem group to God. Change your Attitude about your problem. Expect God to help you because you asked Him to.

(Vs 8-9) No sin can separate him from eternal life. (Ps. 51:12)

B. <u>HELPS</u>. (Vs 9b) for in due season we shall reap, <u>Key</u>: What is your MOTIVATION?

V. THE PRIORITY. (Vs 10)

A. <u>OPPORTUNITY</u>. (Vs 10a) "let us do good" (Ecc 9:10) (Jn 9:4) (Eph 5:16) (Col 4:5)

B. OBLIGATION. (Vs 10b)