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Spirit-filled Community **Galatians 6:1-10**

The New Testament encouragement to “bear one another’s burdens” and to “restore one another” are two sides of the same coin. Restoration is the _____ to having been overtaken by sin.

Discussion 1. Why is a process for spiritual restoration (i.e., restoring a brother/sister to a right relationship with God) so important in the church? Why do you suppose this (spiritual restoration) has become so uncommon in the American church?

The life with one another to which we as Christ followers are called requires an honest assessment of ourselves, grounded in truth. I am no help to others until I first see the well-grounded truth about _____. We call this humility.

Discussion 2. Are there any particular spiritual disciplines or other practices that help keep you humble, i.e., well grounded in the truth about yourself?

When we sow into the desires and powers of this world, we can expect the brokenness and corruption this world has to offer; when we sow into _____, we can expect spiritual rewards beyond what we can even imagine.

Discussion 3. To you, what are examples of sowing into the desires and powers of this world? What are some examples of sowing into spiritual community? Which of these is more about instant gratification? Which do you believe has the greater return?

A life lived to satisfy selfish desires while trying to follow God’s laws is a life of slavery. A life lived following the Spirit and loving others well is a _____ that can only come through Jesus.

Discussion 4. Eventually, living a life turned outward toward others and toward the Spirit involves the things we think, the things we desire, and the things we do. For you, what kinds of positive steps have helped you make progress towards this kind of generosity and humility?