

Galatians (Part 27)

[A Life of Love (Part 3) – Bearing the Burdens of Others (Part 2) (Galatians 6:2)]

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 - a. An Injunction Stated (v. 2a: "Bear one another's burdens...")
 - b. An Incentive Presented (v. 2b: "...and thereby fulfill the law of Christ.")

→How do we bear the burdens of others?

- 1) We bear the burdens of others by being ready and willing to forfeit what is legitimate and allowable for us to enjoy if it will truly help them (Romans 15:1-3).
- 2) We bear the burdens of others by emotionally identifying with them in their distress (Romans 12:15, 16).
- 3) We bear the burdens of others by genuinely caring for them (1 Corinthians 12:25, 26).

→The God who has borne our very greatest burden calls us to bear the burdens of others.