

DO NOT
GROW WEARY



Galatians 6:9

THE BALANCE NEEDED

- There are several words translated “weary”:
 - To become discouraged so as to give up (Gal. 6:9; 2 Thess. 3:13; Lk. 18:1).
 - To faint (Gal. 6:9; Matt. 15:32).
 - To be sick with exhaustion (Heb. 12:3; Jas. 5:15).
 - To work to the point of exhaustion (Matt. 11:28; 1 Tim. 4:10; 1 Thess. 5:12; Eph. 4:28).
- So I must be working toward weariness and yet coming to Christ so as not to be overcome by weariness (2 Cor. 12:15; 1 Cor. 15:10).



MIND YOUR BUSINESS

- In both contexts where Paul exhorts not to grow weary while doing good, he points to personal responsibility (Gal. 6:10; 2 Thess. 3:11-12).
- The word busybody means to work around (2 Thess. 3:11).
- The contrast is a quiet, local focus (2 Thess. 3:12).
- We need to be able to define the reality of our “opportunities” (Gal. 6:10).

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- "Could it be that God didn't wire us to carry every event, taking place in every part of the world, at every moment, as if it were ours? Could it be that technology has produced a faux omniscience and omnipresence that is hurting mankind not helping it?"



EYE ON THE PRIZE

- In order to keep us energized, Paul points to the harvest (Gal. 6:9).
- The Hebrew writer points to the example of Jesus (Heb. 12:3).
- Sometimes, even though we have trained our focus where we ought to have it, we still grow weary and perhaps that is because we do not yet see the results of our labor (2 Tim. 2:6).
- Are you engaged in the personal struggle to continue doing good? Rewards make struggles easier (Rom. 8:18).

