



## Part 13: The Last Word Is Grace (Galatians 6:11-18)

**Theme:** Grace is the first and final word of the Christian life.

### Ice-Breaker

1. **Fun Start:** What's one thing you're really proud of from this past week—and one thing that didn't go as planned?
2. **Good Memories:** Can you think of a time when someone showed you unexpected grace? How did it impact you?

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### Reflect (Read Galatians 6:1-10 together)


3. **Core Message:** Paul says the Christian life begins and ends with grace. Why is it so hard for us to rest in that? What makes us want to add to grace? (*Galatians 1:6 & 6:18*)
4. **Legalism Check** Paul says legalism is often motivated by self-preservation and self-promotion. Where do you see either of those showing up in religious culture today, or even in your own heart? (*Galatians 6:12–13*)
5. **License Check:** Some say grace gives them permission to sin. But Paul says grace creates a new creation. What's the difference between struggling with sin and settling into sin? (*Galatians 6:15*)
6. **The Hidden Danger:** Both legalism and license can be ways of winning people's approval instead of seeking God's. How do you fight the temptation to live for applause - from either the religious or the rebellious? (*Galatians 6:12–13*)
7. **The Real Cost:** Paul says, "I bear on my body the marks of Jesus." What does that tell us about the cost of following Christ? Why is it important to remember that real ministry often leaves real scars? (*Galatians 6:17*)

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### Take Action

8. **Personal Growth:** Grace isn't just for the past. It keeps us from sliding into legalism or license today. Which one are you more prone to fall into? What helps you stay centered on grace?
9. **Group Challenge:** As a group, talk through this question: "Are we a grace-filled community?" How can we help each other stay on the mountain peak of grace and not slide into performance or permissiveness?
10. **Real-Life Practice:** Paul says peace and mercy follow those who walk by the rule of grace. This week, what's one way you can extend peace and mercy to someone else? (*Galatians 6:16*)

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 **Group Prayer:** Pray that each person would resist the pull of performance or permissiveness and rest fully in the grace of God. Thank Jesus for the cross—and ask for help to boast only in that. Pray that your group would be marked by peace, mercy, and Spirit-led lives.