

# Only One Gospel: Bear One Another's Burdens

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# The Law of Christ

**“Blessed be the Lord! Day after day he bears our burdens; God is our salvation.”**

**Psalm 68:19**

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## 3 Assumptions

1. You will sin
2. Christians will notice
3. Christians will attempt to restore you

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“There is only one basic moral issue: how to overcome the relentless urge of the human heart to assert itself against the authority and grace of God. Why else would Paul write to spiritual people to bear the burdens of others and then spend most of the paragraph warning the spiritual people against the danger of their own pride?”

John Piper

# Warnings For Christians Restoring Christians

## Pride

- Pride will lead you into temptation
- Pride will lead you into sin
- Arrogant pride will not help facilitate restoration
- Fearful pride will cause us to disobey

# Blessing For Christians Restoring Christians

## Humility

- Humility will grow unity and biblical community
- Humility will help you to keep going
- Humility will show you where you fail
- Humility will help you when the shoe is on the other foot

# More Warnings For Christians

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**“In measuring the value of your own achievement, do not take the work of others as your standard of measurement. Don't get puffed up because a brother falls lower than you. Our pride loves to see people fall when we have stood. Paul says, stop feeding your pride by comparing yourself with those who sin. Don't measure your moral achievements by those of others; measure them, test them, by the laws of Christ. Then whatever there is in you to boast about will not be owing to another's inferiority.”**

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