



What I Have Not Done and My Expectations

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Series Map: Managing My Expectations

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Text: Galatians 6:7-9

- 7 Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. 8 Whoever sows to please their flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction; whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life. 9 Let us not become weary in **doing** good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.

Introduction: Paul implies **there are** five major concerns **with** the Church in Galatia in **Asia, Minor**

1. He was concerned about them being **deceived**
2. He was concerned about them being ruled by their **flesh** (or appetites)
3. He was concerned about them reaping **destruction**
4. He was concerned about their external **destiny** (life after death)
5. He was concerned about them **doing** what was **right**

Big Question: Are you expecting something that you have not **done** enough to have?

I. Practical Insights People Gave Me About Their Expectations

1. They had an expectation that would never have worked because of their level of **appetite**
2. They had an expectation that would never have worked because of their **definitions**
3. They had an expectation that would never have worked because of their **lack of discipline**
4. They had a dream to start a business but did not have enough **management** training to succeed
5. They had a dream but the **industry** they were dreaming of has changed and made it impossible

Note: God has not promised to save your industry? God has promised to save you. (John 3:16)

II. Four Practical Ways This Sermon Speaks to Me

1. I had an appetite to grow and expand but did not really know how to balance my appetites
2. I had a lot of good definitions, but often defined success by exhaustion and busy
3. I thought the most important discipline in life was spiritual discipline
4. I am watching my industry change and people are ignoring it.



III. Practical Things You Can Look at To Adjust Your Expectations

1. Look at Your **Appetites**
2. Look at Your **Definitions**
3. Look at Your **Maturity**
4. Look at Your **Disciplines**
5. Look at Your **Management**
6. Look at Your **Industry**

Closing Questions for You to Ponder

1. What has changed and should no longer be expected?
2. What can you change?
3. Who around you refuse to change?
4. What will they reap if they do not change?
5. What will you reap if you do not change?
6. How long have you been promising to change?
7. How long are you willing to wait for change?

Next Time: Riding into a New Season

Text: Luke 19:28-48, NIV