

## **Taking Responsibility 1: Cause and Effect Galatians 6:7-10**

**9/10- Cause and Effect:** We reap what we sow.

**9/17- Prayer and Action:** When do we pray and when do we act?

**9/24- Purpose and Potency:** Bringing healing, help, and hope to our world.

*“Then God said, “Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness... God blessed them, and God said to them, ‘Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.’... God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good.” - Genesis 1:26-31*

### **The CAUSE and EFFECT of Responsibility & Irresponsibility**

- Responsibility preserves and restores communion and God’s created order.
- Irresponsibility causes us to b\_\_\_\_\_ others, creates conflict, builds shame and guilt, and makes us u\_\_\_\_\_.
- Irresponsibility causes others to have to be responsible for the irresponsible.

### **KEY Areas of RESPONSIBILITY**

- Our Health (Mind, Body, Soul)
- Our Resources (Time, Talents, Treasures)
- Our R\_\_\_\_\_ (God, Family, Friends)

*“Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up.” -Galatians 6:7-9*

### **The Kingdom Is NEAR**

- Listen for your own blaming and excusing.
- What area of your life is God asking you to be more responsible for?
- How can you help your child/others understand the cause and effect nature of life?
- What can you sow/plant in their life today to bear good fruit when they are adults?