

Text: Galatians 6:11-18

Big Idea: In the first century, the cross represented shameful, torturous death. Yet Paul points to Jesus' redeeming work on the cross as the only source of confidence in a Christian's life.

- A cross-centered life is <u>humble</u> not <u>prideful</u> (v12-13)
- A cross-centered life boasts in the cross not self (v.14)
- A cross-centered life treasures <u>Christ</u> not the <u>world</u> (v.14)
- A cross-centered life values spiritual transformation not eternal ritual. (v15-16)
- A cross-centered life walks in <u>truth</u> not <u>error</u>. (v.16)
- A cross-centered life seeks to please Christ not man. (v17-18)

Discussion Questions:

- 1. Faith in Christ is about changed lives through His divine intervention not our human achievement. As we've gone through Galatians, what are some ways you've seen how Jesus' work on the cross has changed or is changing your life?
- 2. Boasting is the expression of confidence in something. Paul teaches us our boasting should be in the cross. How might boasting in the cross sound strange to those of the world?
- 3. Take a moment and identify things that are enticing by the world's view. How does a focus on the cross make those things less inviting?
- 4. How does having a cross-centered life seeking to please Christ allow you to genuinely love others?
- 5. Share any closing thoughts on Galatians with each other.