**The Glory of the Cross**

Galatians 6:14-18

**Galatians 6:14 (ESV)**But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

**Galatians 6:15 (ESV)**For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation.

**Galatians 6:16 (ESV)**And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God.

**Galatians 6:17 (ESV)**From now on let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus.

**Galatians 6:18 (ESV)**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen.

1. **The Glorious Person Attached to the Cross**

**Galatians 6:14 (ESV)**But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ …

***“Lord”*** *reminds us that He is* ***Sovereign****.*

**Acts 2:23 (ESV)**This Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men.

***“Jesus”*** *reminds us that He is* ***Savior****.*

**Matthew 1:21 (ESV)**She will bear a Son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins.

**1 Timothy 2:5-6 (ESV)**For there is one God, and there is one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time.

*“****Christ”*** *reminds us that He* ***Sufficient.***

**Colossians 2:9 (ESV)**For in Him the whole fullness of Deity dwells bodily,

1. **The Glorious Purpose Attained by the Cross**

**Galatians 6:14 (ESV)**But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ …

*The cross breaks the strength of* ***the world’s pull.***

**Galatians 6:14 (ESV)**… by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

*The cross sets us free from* ***the flesh’s pride.***

**Galatians 6:15 (ESV)**For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation.

*The cross brings us into* ***the Lord’s peace.***

**Galatians 6:16 (ESV)**And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God.

1. **The Glorious Purchase Attested by the Cross**

**Galatians 6:17 (ESV)**From now on let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus.

*The cross is a mark of* ***possession.***

*The cross is a mark of* ***loyalty.***

*The cross is a mark of* ***humility.***

*The cross is a mark of* ***faith.***

***Questions:***

1. *What does our world today think of the cross of Jesus?*
2. *What aspects of Jesus’ death on the cross are especially meaningful to you?*
3. *What does “the world is crucified to me, and I to the world,” mean to you personally in the way you live?*
4. *What marks of Jesus do you see in the lives of other believers?*