

Branded for Christ: A Solemn Call to Glory in the Cross

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TEXT: Galatians 6:11-18

Galatians 6:11

11 *See with what large letters I have written to you with my own hand!*

Galatians 6:12-13

12 *As many as desire to make a good showing in the flesh, these would compel you to be circumcised, only that they may not suffer persecution for the cross of Christ.*

13 *For not even those who are circumcised keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may boast in your flesh.*

Four Accusations Against the Judaizers:

ACCUSATION #1: They are _____: They “*desire to make a good showing in the flesh*” (Verse 12).

ACCUSATION #2: They are _____: They “*compel you to be circumcised*” (Verse 12).

ACCUSATION #3: They are _____: They want to avoid “*suffering persecution for the cross of Christ*” (Verse 12).

ACCUSATION #4: They are _____: They do not obey the law themselves: “*For not even those who are circumcised keep the law*” (Verse 13).

Galatians 6:14-15

14 *But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.*

15 *For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision avails anything, but a new creation.*

LETTER A: The cross reminds us that evil _____, and _____ win.

LETTER B: It is Christ, and Christ _____, Who _____, and He saves us by virtue of His bloody _____ on the _____.

Galatians 6:16

16 *And as many as walk according to this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God.*

Galatians 6:17

17 *From now on let no one trouble me, for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus.*

Galatians 6:18

18 *Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.*

Four Major Lessons for the 21st Century

LESSON #1: The _____ of salvation by any form of _____ - _____.

LETTER C: The most basic use of the law is to _____ us our _____, by causing us to _____, over and over again, that no matter how hard we _____, we can _____ achieve the _____ the law demands.

LESSON #2: The ever-present _____ of doctrinal _____ in the church.

LESSON #3: The absolute _____ of God's _____.

MAIN POINT: Our salvation is _____ of God, and _____ of grace, _____ by Christ on Calvary.

LESSON #4: The surpassing _____ of Christian _____.