

# A Walk Boasting in the Cross of Christ

## Galatians 06:11–18

**1** *An important section*  
— *Paul himself writes*

**2** *False ministers make a good impression outwardly*  
— *in the flesh*  
— *seeking popularity*

- a. To gain approval and to escape persecution
- b. To make a good showing by adding to their statistical numbers

**3** *True ministers boast in the cross of Christ*

- a. The cross crucifies the world to men and men to the world
- b. The cross creates a new man
- c. The cross brings peace and mercy
- d. The cross gives purpose to the scars of life

**4** *Conclusion:*  
*A benediction of grace*

11 See what large letters I use as I write to you with my own hand!

12 Those who want to make a good impression outwardly are trying to compel you to be circumcised. The only reason they do this is to avoid being persecuted for the cross of Christ.

13 Not even those who are circumcised obey the law, yet they want you to be circumcised that they may boast about your flesh.

14 May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

15 Neither circumcision nor uncircumcision means anything; what counts is a new creation.

16 Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule, even to the Israel of God.

17 Finally, let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus.

18 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen.