

Sermon: Glory Only in the Cross September 20, 2020

Scripture: Galatians 6:11-18

**I. The only thing a Christian can boast about is _____
_____. (11-14). Philippians 2:12–13.
Romans 4:25–5:2; 1 Corinthians 15:9–10.**

**II. The _____ of a new Creation. Galatians
6:15–17; 2 Corinthians 5:17**

1. The birth mark. Colossians 1:12-14

2. We have a new standing. Romans 8:33-34

3. New resources. Hebrews 13:5. 2 Corinthians 12:7–10

4. A new position. Galatians 5:1. 2 Corinthians 3:17–18

5. A New Occupation. Matthew 5:16 ; Philippians 2:14-16

III. Conclusion.

Thought for the Day We have been studying Law vs, Grace in the book of Galatians. *Dr. Epps leaves us with four suggestions. The life of victory in Christ is possible only through continuous cooperation through faith in the Holy Spirit.* We want victory and there is only one way to get it through the cooperation of faith. **Refuse any claim of the world.** This protects us from the sin and distractions that get in the way of our fellowship with God. **Turn to the Lord and ask his help.** You have not because you ask not. Many times, we ask for what we want and not what God wants. We need to get the Lord in our battles. **Keep a clear channel between ourselves and Christ at all times.** We need the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Jesus died on the cross to make this way of life possible. In Ephesians 2:8-9 we learn that we are saved by grace; we did not earn salvation so we can't take credit for it. God did not give us grace to keep it to ourselves. We lived in a world where people need to know Jesus. Immediately after those verses God calls us his workmanship, meaning he wants to use us for his purposes. **John 15:16**¹⁶ Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and *that* your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you. The life of a victorious Christian is a life where we are used as a channel through which God will produce fruit for His kingdom and for His glory. That is who we are ordained and chosen to be. **Pastor Bruce**

On Sunday September 27 we will be taking communion during the 11:00 service. You can participate in communion by having bread and juice ready at the beginning of the service. We are having communion after the hymns and before the message. Reminder the online service is one week behind the in house services.