

Humbly Boasting, Not Persecution Avoiding | Galatians 6:11-18

- 1. Do you have any examples of humble bragging? Why is social media such a difficult place to navigate this temptation? What other areas of life can bring out the humble bragger in us? Is it ever ok to humble-brag? Explain your answer.
- 2. Read Galatians 6:11-18 What themes in these closing verses of Galatians have been evident throughout the letter? What do you notice about Paul's approach as he closes the letter?
- 3. V12 &13 Paul accuses his opponents of wanting to make 'a good impression' and of 'boasting'. What motivated them and why were they doing this? What motivates us (and others) to behave in this way today? Where might we be living like this to avoid being questioned or rejected for what we believe?
- 4. V14 Take some time to explore what this verse means. Why is the cross everything for Paul? How does Paul boast in the cross? What does he mean by the world being crucified to him and him to the world? See also Jeremiah 9:23-24, Psalm 44.
- 5. V14 Now take some time to apply this verse to our lives today. What does it mean for us to boast in the cross? Are there ways the world is still dictating how we live and behave? How can we live crucified to the world and the world to us in our everyday lives?
- 6. V15 What does Paul mean by a new creation? (2 Cor 5:17) Whys is this the only thing that counts? How does this draw together all of Paul's thoughts on the work of the Spirit and the rule of love?
- 7. If you had to sum up the message of Galatians in a few words what would you say?
- 8. Read together Galatians 2:20 and Galatians 6:14 and spend time thanking God for his grace as we seek to live for Him and close by praying verse 18 over one another.