## Sermon Notes: 3/3/24 (Derek Harm) Redemption Life Fellowship Series: Galatians, The Gospel Changes Everything Sermon: Galatians 6:11-15, Life-Changing Boasting

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## Galatians 6:11-15 ESV

"See with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. <sup>12</sup> It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh who would force you to be circumcised, and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. <sup>13</sup> For even those who are circumcised do not themselves keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may boast in your flesh. <sup>14</sup> But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which<sup>[a]</sup> the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. <sup>15</sup> For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation."

- Boasting means to glory in, to celebrate, to shout about something I admire or am proud about because it inspires me and gives me meaning.

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**I.** Boasting in the flesh counts for nothing (11-13).

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A. It's marked by a "good show" (12a).

- B. It's marked more by "force" than freedom (12b).
- C. It's marked by persecution avoidance cowardice (12c).
- D. It's marked by selective obedience hypocrisy (13).
- Boasting in the cross of Jesus Christ counts for everything (14-15) This is thinking or acting in any way that my approach to God, acceptance by God or approval from God is based solely upon Jesus' performance.

**Questions:** 

1. What is it right now that has your attention, time and resources? As you answer that question in your mind, you can also fill in the blank: I am boasting in

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2. Are you seeing life transformation happening in your life? What have you implemented to constantly celebrate (boast in) the cross of Jesus Christ?