"The Glory Of The Cross" Galatians 6:14 Good Friday 7:00 PM March 29, 2013

Galatians 6:12-14

(First Good Friday) there was confusion as well! Luke 23:27-28

If we are wrong about Jesus Christ, we are wrong about God, because Jesus Christ is God!

Galatians – written by the Apostle Paul, about 49 AD. The Theme of this book is **"Christian Liberty"**; It is called "The Charter of Christian Liberty."

Galatians 6:11-18 – In the closing verses, Paul is dealing with these Judaizers who are <u>motivated by pride and desire to avoid persecution</u>, and Paul, who has suffered for the Gospel, but boasts only in Christ.

Gal. 6:14 – "But may it never be": "God forbid" literally, "May it never come to pass"

Paul boasted in one thing "The Cross Of Our Lord Jesus Christ!"

5 Reasons Why We Should Glory In The Cross:

1. The Cross-Expresses The Depth of Human Sin:

Gal. 6:14

Romans 3:10-18

Why Is It Important That The Cross Express The Depth of Human Sin? Man Will Not Seek A Savior Until He Realizes He Is Lost!

The depth of our sin does not really hit us with its full force until we look at the cross. Galatians 1:4-5

The Cross Is God's Verdict For Lost Humanity!

1 Cor. 15:3

1 John 4:9

2 Corinthians 5:21

2. The Cross Expresses God's Great Love:

Gal. 6:14

The Cross not only reveals the <u>Depths Of Man's Sinfulness</u>, but the <u>Depths Of God's Great Love</u>.

John 3:16

1 John 4:9-10

Ephesians 1:7

"redemption" – The basic meaning of this word is "to purchase and set free by paying a price"

"Redemption" – there were 3 Greek words that give to us a full meaning of what Jesus Christ did for us.

1. "Buying or buy in the market place" – this word emphasized the price that was paid. Lev. 25:23-28

Matt. 20:28

Titus 2:14

2. "To buy out of the market place so that the one purchased, might never return again." Never be sold again, <u>but would still</u> be a slave.

Rom. 6:6

3. "To buy, to loose, set free or deliver out of slavery never to be a slave again." John 8:36

1 Peter 1:18-19

3. The Cross Is The Message Of The Church:

Gal. 6:14

1 Cor. 1:23 – "but we preach Christ crucified,"

1 Corinthians 2:4-5

1 Cor. 1:17-23

4. The Cross Is Where Every Need Of Mankind Is Met:

Gal. 6:14

Col 1:20

Ephesians 2:13-16

The dictionary defines Peace – "Freedom from war, mental calm, law and order, state of harmony"

Romans 5:9-10

5. The Cross Is The Only Means Of Salvation:

Gal. 6:14

Romans 5:6-8

Ephesians 2:8-9

Acts 4:12

Col 1:22 – "yet He has now reconciled you in His fleshly body through death,"

Application:

- 1. All Humanity Stands Guilty Before God: Rom. 3:23
- 2. Our Sin Has Earned Us Death: Rom. 6:23
- 3. Jesus Loves Us And Paid The Price For Our Sins On The Cross: Rom. 5:8
- 4. Salvation Is The Result Of Repentance And Faith In Jesus Christ: Rom. 10:9-10