Galatians 6:11-18

Getting Motivated

Introduction

Question: In what areas are you feeling cultural pressure?

Peer pressure can exert a powerful influence on us. The style of our clothes, the kind of music we listen to, our vocabulary, even the soft drinks we buy are affected by what others do and say. We are often tempted to change our behavior so others will accept us. But such approval can have a high price tag. In this final passage Paul helps us to consider whose approval we desire the most.

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Question: What do verses 12-13 reveal about the motives of Paul's opponents?

Question: What is often wrong with making a good impression? What do you think is the alternative motivation that Paul recommends?

Question: In what situations might Christians do things for similar motives today?

Question: What does it mean to boast in the cross (v. 14)?

Question: How does Paul say the cross should affect our view of the world?

Reflection

How can this passage help to purify your motives and goals in life?