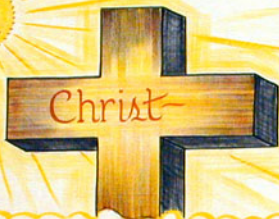


Three Crucifixions

Gal.
6:14.



I. All Men Glory in Something.

- A. Greedy - Gold - *Lk. 12:18-19.*
- B. Worldly Wise - Wisdom - *1 Cor. 1:22.*
- C. Successful - Accomplishments - *Dan. 4:28-30.*
- D. Vain - favorable Birth - *Jno. 8:33.*
- E. Self Righteous - Virtues - *Lk. 18:12-13.*

II. Paul Glorified - Cross.

III. Paul Had Right to Glory.

Phil. 3:4-8.



I. Paul Crucified World.

II. Christ Crucified World.

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III. Christian Crucifies World.

Rom. 12:2; Eph. 5:11.

A. Does Not Satisfy.

Jno. 4:13.

B. Not of Father.

1 Jno. 2:16.

C. Will pass away.

1 Jno. 2:17.



I. Crucified World.

Retaliated - Paul.

Acts 26:24.

Gal. 6:17.

II. Crucified World.

Crucified Christ

III. Crucified World.

Crucifies Man.

Jno. 15:20.

Eph. 2:14-17.

2 Tim. 3:12.

Jno. 3:16.

THE THREE CRUCIFIXIONS

Gal. 6:14

INTRO: Throughout Paul's ministry, his chief theme was Christ and Him crucified. So again we notice in the letter to the Galatians that Paul mentions the same. In the text, we see three crucifixions.

I. THE CRUCIFIXION OF CHRIST.

"The cross of our Lord Jesus Christ."

A. All Men Glory in Something:

1. The greedy in their gold. Luke 12:18-19.
2. The worldly wise in their wisdom. 1 Cor. 1:22.
3. The success in their accomplishments. Dan. 4:28-30.
4. The vain in their favorable birth. John 8:33.
5. The self-righteous in their virtues. Luke 18:12-13.

B. Paul Gloried in the Cross of Christ. Others despised it, sneered at it, ignored it, and stumbled over it, but it was Paul's glory.

C. Paul Had a Right to Glory. He had a powerful mind, a golden lineage, prominent party connections, illustrious citizenship, education, miraculous conversion, visions and revelations, and an outstanding position in the church. However, discounting all these things, he staked all on the cross of his Lord. Phil. 3:4-8.

II. THE CRUCIFIXION OF THE WORLD.

"The world has been crucified unto me."

- A. Paul crucified world when Paul accepted Christ. He rejected its pleasures. He despised its honors. Its wealth had no attraction.
- B. Christ crucified the world long before Christ was crucified by the world. He rejected its pleasures, its powers, and its honors. Matt. 4.
- C. The Christian crucifies the world. He rejects the world's pleasures and its standards. Rom. 12:2. The Christian rejects the world's unfruitful works. Eph. 5:11. There are three reasons why:
 1. It does not satisfy. John 4:13.
 2. It is not of the Father. 1 John 2:16.
 3. It will pass away. 1 John 2:17.

III. THE CRUCIFIXION OF THE CHRISTIAN.

"And I unto the World."

- A. When Paul crucified the world, the world retaliated. It crucified Paul. He was ostracized socially and religiously. By the Jews, he was called an apostate; by the Greeks, a fool. He was set aside as of doubtful intellect. Acts 26:24. He suffered in the body. Gal. 6:17.
- B. When Jesus crucified the world, the world in turn crucified Him. It rejected His doctrine, nailing Him to the cross.
- C. When any man crucifies the world, the world will crucify him (withdraw from him and ridicule his religion). John 15:20; 2 Tim. 3:12.

CONCL: Though the cross means suffering and shame, it is the glory of the child of God; it is a sign of divine love. John 3:16. It is an emblem of peace. Read Eph. 2:14-17.