**Pastor Demetric Felton Sr September 20, 2020**

**Who Do You Live For?**

Galatians 6:11-18

**Key Truth:** We can experience true spiritual transformation only through the gospel.

1. Beware of compromising your beliefs in order to be

 accepted by others.

 A. Don’t be deceived, the cross of Jesus Christ is still

 offensive to people today.

 B. Persecution is something that we don’t run to nor run

 from.

2. Beware of spiritual leaders who boast in your allegiance

 to them, rather than your obedience to Jesus Christ.

 A. Discipleship is all about pointing people to Jesus.

 B. If we are truly making disciples then they will be

 more in love and loyal to Jesus Christ than to us.

3. Beware of spiritual idolatry.

 A. Don’t worship Christian leaders.

 B. Don’t boast about your spiritual achievements.

 1. Our boast is only in what Jesus did for us on the

 cross.

 C. Live in the world but remain totally loyal to Jesus.

 1. The world system no longer has our allegiance or

 holds us hostage for its approval.

 2. The only things that matters is our new identity in

 Jesus Christ.

**Taking It Beyond The Walls:** Boast only in the cross and seek to point our friends and families to Jesus Christ.

**Connection Group Homework**

Looking back at your notes, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

What motivates you in your work? In your parenting? In your studies?

Are some motives better than others? How do your motives affect the work that you do in life?

Read Matthew 6:1: Why do you think Jesus warned us to be careful about practicing “our righteousness before other people”? What temptation often lies behind our public acts of service?

Why do you think Paul said in Galatians 1:10, “If I were still trying to please man, I would not be a servant of Christ”? How could seeking to please men compromise the gospel or damage our testimony?

How might the gospel be compromised by teachers who are overly concerned with how their ministry appears to others?

How do you think Christians in our country might face persecution in the future? How can we be prepared to live faithfully for Christ in the face of persecution?

How has Christ changed you since coming to faith in Him? How might you brag on Jesus to a friend this week?