

# **THE CROSS AND BOASTING**

## **Galatians 6.12-16 (2011 NIV)**

### **INTRODUCTION**

God's people looking for a hero

Jesus – Paul's hero.

**Galatians 2.20:** I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

**Galatians 5.24:** Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

**Galatians 6.14:** May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

### **JESUS AS HERO**

Paul's invitation to share his hero worship of Jesus:

***poses an intriguing question,  
offers important benefits and  
confronts us with serious challenges***

We must be clear about these so that we can respond to Paul's invitation in an appropriately serious way.

**1. An intriguing question**

**2. Two important benefits**

**3. Some serious challenges**

**CONCLUSION**

Our obsession must be Jesus and him crucified. Nothing less will be enough. Nothing more is necessary. Nothing else will do.