

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. Galatians 6:14 (NIV)

Dead

That usually isn't a very attractive and desirable word. **What word is that?** Dead, is not an attractive and desirable world. **But, it is in this case, isn't it?** Yes, it is. **Why is that? How could it possibly be attractive and desirable to be dead?** If I weren't dead, then I wouldn't be alive. **Now, that has got to sound very confusing to some. Say more about what you mean.** When you died on the cross, I died with you. My old life and all its sinful patterns and practices and values died with you on the cross. On the cross, you paid for my sins. On the cross, you cleansed my unrighteousness. Your death on the cross secured a new life for me. Not only did my old life die, but, my new life in you came alive. That is why I can say that if I my old life did not die; I could not have received a new life in you. **That's true.** That is why is very attractive and desirable that my old life is dead, and now I have a completely new life in you. **That is very good.**

What has changed about you since you received a completely new life in me? Everything about me has changed. First and foremost is that I now live in a close and intimate relationship with you. You are the Savior and Lord of my life. It is my highest desire to live a life that is pleasing to you. I want to know you. I want to live my life with and for you. Beyond that, all my thoughts, and words and deeds are different. My new life in you has made me completely new. My old life would not be recognizable as once having once been a part of me. My new life in you, is now a bold and bright and shining witness for you in the world. Others would and have given thanks and praise to you for the work you have done, are doing and will do in my life. Now, I can take no credit for your working in and through my life. I will also say that I need to come to rely on you for any true and real and lasting fruit to be born through my life. I also know that I am not perfect. I still do make mistakes, take missteps and sin against you, for which I am and will be forgiven. **That's true.** I also want to say that two facts remain certain. **Which are?** My old life is dead and gone. I have a completely new to live in you, which you are helping me to live every day, as I love, follow and serve you. **Yes, I am.** For that I am thankful beyond measure. **That is very good.**

Lord, I have been crucified with you. My old life is now dead and go. It died on the cross with you. The world and its desires are dead to me. You have given me a completely new life to live in you. Help me to be fully alive to you and the new life you have for me. Amen

Becoming Like Christ *Crucified To Me*

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.

NIV Galatians 6:14

Becoming Like Christ *Crucified To Me*

But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

ESV Galatians 6:14

Becoming Like Christ *Has Been Crucified*

As for me, may I never boast about anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. Because of that cross, my interest in this world has been crucified, and the world's interest in me has also died.

NLT Galatians 6:14

Becoming Like Christ *Crucified To Me*

But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

NKJV Galatians 6:14

Becoming Like Christ *Crucified To Me*

May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

NRSV Galatians 6:14

Becoming Like Christ *I Have Been Crucified*

For my part, I am going to boast about nothing but the Cross of our Master, Jesus Christ. Because of that Cross, I have been crucified in relation to the world, set free from the stifling atmosphere of pleasing others and fitting into the little patterns that they dictate.

MSG Galatians 6:14

Becoming Like Christ *Crucified To Me*

But far be it from me to glory [in anything or anyone] except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ (the Messiah) through Whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world!

AMP Galatians 6:14

Becoming Like Christ *Killed Long Ago*

As for me, God forbid that I should boast about anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. Because of that cross, my interest in all the attractive things of the world was killed long ago, and the world's interest in me is also long dead.

TLB Galatians 6:14

Becoming Like Christ *Crucified To Me*

But may it never be that I would boast, except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

NASB Galatians 6:14

Becoming Like Christ *My World Was Crucified*

I hope I will never brag about things like that. The cross of our Lord Jesus Christ is my only reason for bragging. Through the cross of Jesus my world was crucified, and I died to the world.

NCV Galatians 6:14

Crucified To Me

Year _____ Week _____ Day _____ Date _____

Becoming Like Christ – Galatians 6:14

In Context: *Read Galatians 6*

Begin With Prayer:

Here I am Lord. I Am Listening.

Meditating On God’s Word: ***(What is God speaking to your heart?)***

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Considering The Words: ***(What words speak to your heart?)***

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Praying The Scripture:

(What prayer from your heart will you write?)

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What It Means:

(What questions speak to your heart?) *(Suggested questions for small group discussion are in bold)*

How has the old life that you once lived been put to death on the cross?

How is your life now dead to the world and all the evil desires that are in it?

How does your completely new life in Christ look different from your old life in the world?

How are you daily relying on the Lord to help you to fully live the completely new life you have in Him?

What has helped or hindered you from fully putting on the new life you have in Christ?

What new patterns, practices and values are now part of your completely new life in Christ?

How is your completely new life in Christ a bold and bright witness for Christ to others in the world?

Living It Out:

(What action step is God guiding your heart to take?)

Allow the Lord to help you to live a life in which the world and all its desires has been crucified to you.

Seeing It Happen:

(What are you trusting God for in your heart?)

Have faith that the Lord will help you to live a life in which the world is crucified to you.

Get Ready To Share:

(What can you share with others from your heart?)

Share with another person or your small group how the world and its desires has been crucified to you?

Close With Prayer:

Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

Pause And Offer Prayers Of...

With An Attitude Of Faith Listen To What The Lord Wants To Say To You

Adoration... _____

Thanksgiving... _____

Confession... _____

Intercession... _____

Petition... _____

Journal

As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?

What Prayers Are You Praying Today?

Prayer Of Blessing

(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)

May you live a life in which the world is crucified to you.

Prayer To Carry

(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)

Lord, help me to live a life in which the world is crucified to me.

What Do You Want To Remember About Today?

A Question To Ask God

(What Would You Like To Ask God?)

Lord, how can I live a life today in which the world is crucified to me?
