

**Galatians 6:14~** Never may it occur that I should boast, except in the torture stake of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world has been impaled to me, and I to the world.

- 1· Now Paul shows, that the only thing he will boast in, is in the torture stake of Christ. Like Christ, he has committed himself to a life course, of putting to death through his love of the Holy Spirit, the desires of his fallen flesh. Through this Paul had died towards the world, and the world had died towards Paul.

[Question] What alone does Paul feel justified in boasting in?

[Question] What course like Christ's, has Paul committed himself to through his love of the Holy Spirit?

[Question] How then, does this make Paul appear to the world, and the world appear to him?

- 2· Whoever is not carrying his **torture stake** and coming after me, cannot be my disciple. (**Luke 14:27**)

[Question] What course must all anointed Christians follow in exactly as Christ himself did?

- 3· For I decided not to know anything among you **except Jesus Christ**, and him **impaled**. (**1 Corinthians 2:2**)

[Question] What alone did Paul decide to know well among them?

- 4· For we are a product of his work and were created in union with **Christ Jesus** for good works, which God prepared in advance for us to walk in them. (**Ephesians 2:10**)

[Question] Why were anointed Christians created, to do what?

- 5· For who makes you to differ from another? Indeed, what do you have that you did not receive? If, now, you did indeed receive it, why do you **boast**, as though you did not receive it? (**1 Corinthians 4:7**)

[Question] Do we have any reason for boasting about ourselves, give reasons?

- 6· I am **impaled** along with **Christ**. It is no longer I that live, but it is **Christ** that is living in union with me. Indeed, the life that I now live in flesh, I live by the faith, that is toward the Son of God, who loved me, and handed himself

over for me. (**Galatians 2:20**)

**[Question]** What happens to each anointed Christian, so that who is the one living through him?

- 7· Brothers, I beg you, become as I am, because I used to be also as you are. You did me no wrong. (**Galatians 4:12**)

**[Question]** What does Paul counsel his Jewish brothers?

- 8· For in my case to live is **Christ**, and to die, gain. (**Philippians 1:21**)

**[Question]** How does Paul view the choice between life and death?

- 9· For we are those with the real circumcision, who are rendering sacred service by God's spirit and have our boasting in **Christ Jesus**, and do not have our confidence in the flesh. (**Philippians 3:3**)

**[Question]** What circumcision do anointed Christians have, that is more meaningful than the mere circumcision of the flesh?