

## **Discussion & Reflection Questions**

### **Kaleidoscope of Grace - Week 3 (3rd of July 2022)**

#### **Read: Galatians 6.7-18**

#### **(For extra blessings read Galatians 5:26-6:6)**

<sup>7</sup> Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. <sup>8</sup> If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. <sup>9</sup> So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. <sup>10</sup> So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith. <sup>11</sup> See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! <sup>12</sup> It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. <sup>13</sup> Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. <sup>14</sup> 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. <sup>15</sup> For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! <sup>16</sup> As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God. <sup>17</sup> From now on, let no one make trouble for me; for I carry the marks of Jesus branded on my body. <sup>18</sup> May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers and sisters. Amen.

#### **Discussion & Reflection Questions**

1. If you've read through the letter of Galatians from beginning to end as part of the series, what have been the things that have stood out for you?
2. Verse 8 sounds a little similar to the concept of Karma. What do you think is the main difference between Grace & Karma?
3. How should receiving grace cause us to act in the world?
4. How do you think "the world" responds when Christians or the Church does not show grace?
5. What are some practical ways of showing grace in your week ahead?
6. What does verse 14 mean to you? What are some authentic words you could use in front of others to "boast in the cross" without coming across as overbearing or bible bashing?

#### **Prayer**

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you, that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.