# Rejoicing in the Cross John MacArthur

#### I. Introduction.

- A. Text: Galatians 6:11-16.
- B. The religion of human achievement is a Satanic counterpart. This contrasts with the cross.
- C. The value of the religion of human achievement is nothing. (Philippians 3)

## II. Glorying in the flesh.

- A. Some people are hung up on the religion of human achievement.
  - 1. They do it to put on a show.
  - 2. They do not want the hostility that comes with the cross.
  - 3. They do it to cover up their sin. The cross says that a person cannot do it by himself.

### III. Glorying in the cross.

- A. The cross alone redeems.
- B. The terms of salvation is faith in Jesus Christ alone.
- C. Apart from Jesus, no man could be right with God.
- D. Reasons for glorying in the cross of Christ.
  - 1. It frees us from bondage.
  - 2. The cross does what the flesh cannot--it makes us a new creation. (2 Corinthians 5:17)
  - 3. It brings peace.
  - 4. It brings deliverance for all.

# **Application Questions:**

1. Which reason for glorying in human achievement do you identify with the most?
2. Why glory in the cross?
3. What does it look like to glory in the cross every day? Explain.