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Galatians 6: 11-16

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[11] See with what large letters I am writing to you with my
own hand. [12] It is those who want to make a good showing
in the flesh who would force you to be circumcised, and
only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross
of Christ. [13] For even those who are circumcised do not
themselves keep the law, but they desire to have you
circumcised that they may boast in your flesh. [14] 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.

- Galatians 6: 11-16 (ESV)

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15 For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor
uncircumcision, but a new creation. 16 And as for all who
walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and
upon the Israel of God.

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   "For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul?"

   - **Mark 8: 36**

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   b) They wanted to escape persecution
   c) They wanted to boast about their accomplishments

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4 though I myself have reason for confidence in the flesh
also. If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in
the flesh, I have more: 5 circumcised on the eighth day, of
the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of
Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; 6 as to zeal, a persecutor
of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.
7 But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of
Christ.

- Philippians 3: 4-7

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2. **The Christ followers' motive is to glorify Christ**

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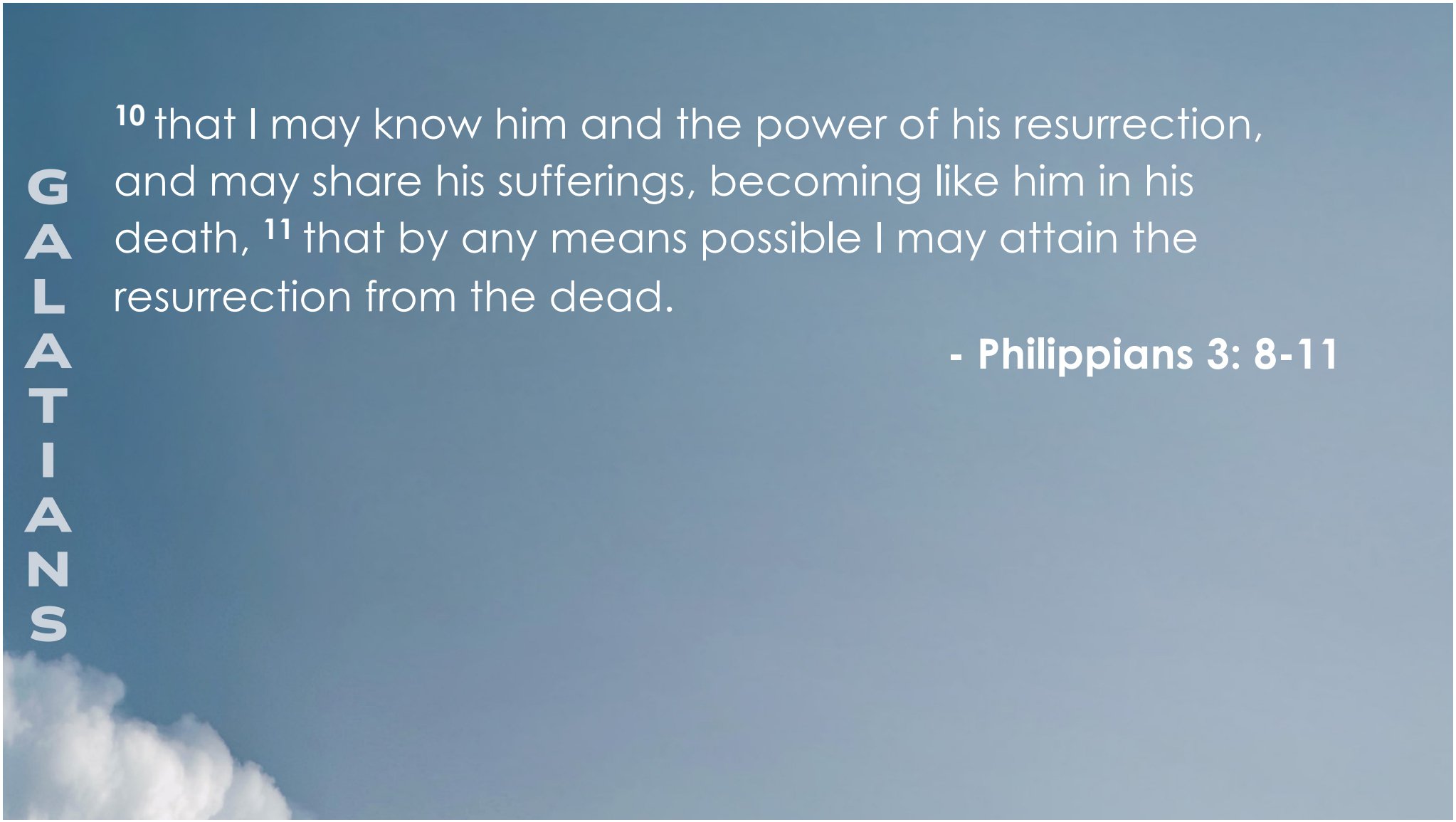
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2. The Christ followers' motive is to glorify Christ
   a) The only approval needed is from Jesus

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8 Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the
surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his
sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as
rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ 9 and be found in
him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from
the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the
righteousness from God that depends on faith—

- Philippians 3: 8-11


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10 that I may know him and the power of his resurrection,
and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his
death, 11 that by any means possible I may attain the
resurrection from the dead.
- Philippians 3: 8-11

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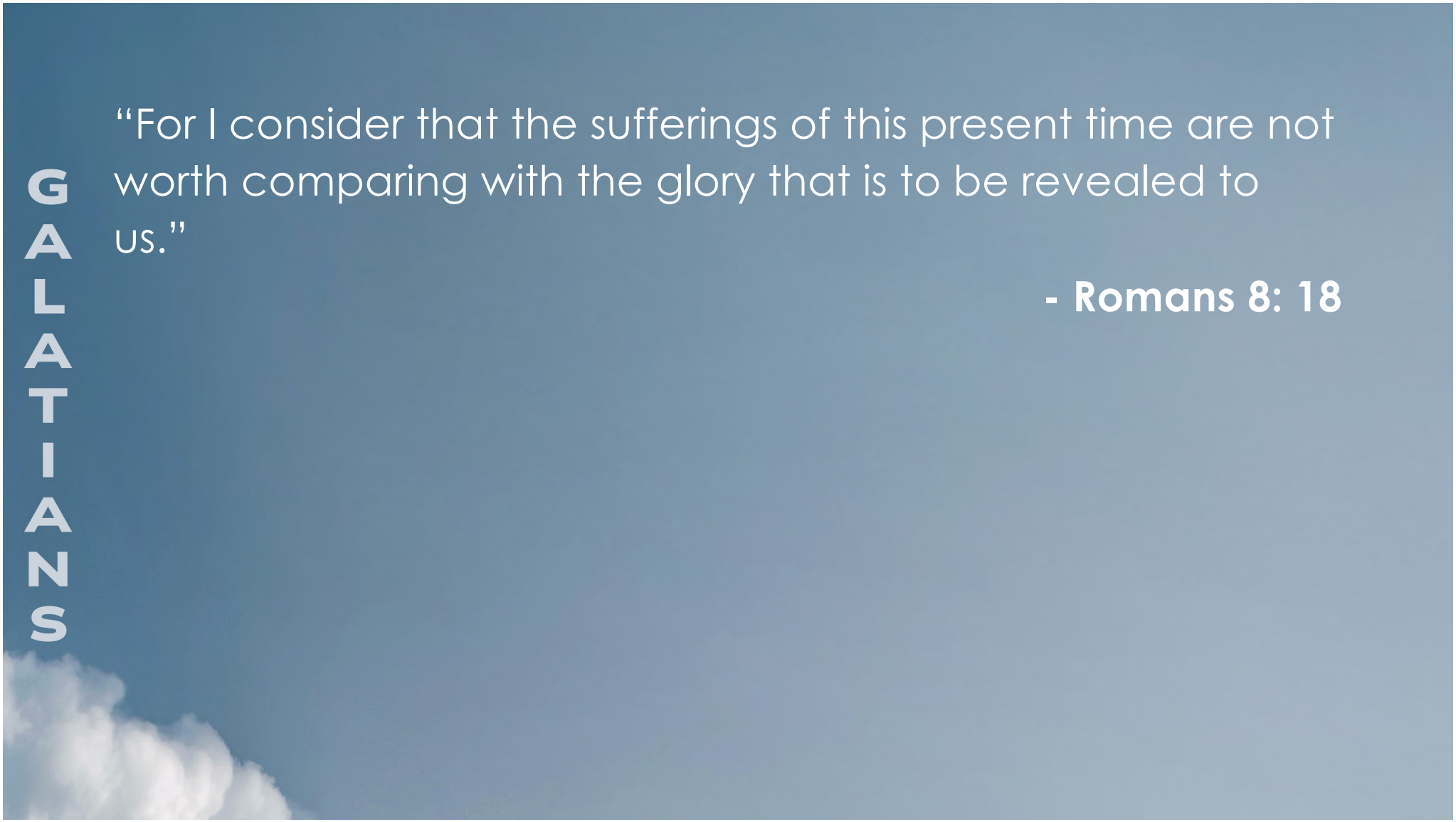
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   b) The goal is for people to see Jesus
   c) The cost of carrying the cross is worth it


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"For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us."
- Romans 8: 18

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1. The Judaizers' motive was to glorify themselves
2. The Christ followers' motive is to glorify Christ
3. **The Christ centered motive produces a transformed life**

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come."

- 2 Corinthians 5: 17


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