

## I've got something to boast about

<sup>17</sup>Now you, if you call yourself a Jew; if you rely on the law and boast in God; <sup>18</sup>if you know His will and approve of what is superior because you are instructed by the Law; <sup>19</sup>if you are convinced that you are a guide for the blind, a light for those in darkness, <sup>20</sup>an instructor of the foolish, a teacher of infants, because you have in the law the embodiment of knowledge and truth — <sup>21</sup>you, then, who teach others, do you not teach yourself? You who preach against stealing, do you steal? <sup>22</sup>You who forbid adultery, do you commit adultery? You who abhor idols, do you rob temples? <sup>23</sup>You who boast in the Law, do you dishonour God by breaking the Law? <sup>24</sup>As it is written: “God’s name is blasphemed among the Gentiles because of you.”

Romans 2:17-24

### 1. Boasting . . . . . beneficial

Ezekiel 28:14-17, From the day...  
Isaiah 14:12-14, I will...  
Luke 22:42, Not My will...

I need to know . . . . . I am  
Romans 9:6, Not all...

I need to know . . . . . I am  
Galatians 3:16, Not plural...  
Galatians 3:14, in Christ Jesus...

### 2. Boasting . . . . . benefits

The origin of “boast” relates to the . . . . .  
Psalm 34:1-3, My soul boasts...  
Jeremiah 9:23-24, boast in this...  
1 Corinthians 1:31, Christ has become...

I receive many benefits

2 Peter 3:9b, come to...  
1 Thessalonians 4:3-8, be holy  
1 Peter 2:15, do good  
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

I can . . . . . many benefits

### 3. Boasting should . . . . . benefits

The world needs to . . . . . God  
1 Timothy 6:16, no one has...  
Exodus 33:20, you cannot....  
John 1:18, but the Son...

The world needs to see God . . . . .  
Colossians 1:27, Christ in you  
Galatians 2:20, Christ lives in me  
Romans 8:10, because Christ is in you

## My prayer priorities for this week

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- M 2 Stuart & Kaye
- T 3 Clarence & Irene
- W 4 Lerida C
- T 5 Robert & Dianne
- F 6 Bunnings contacts
- S 7 Lurline & Terry
- S 8 Jim & Rosalie

## Thought starters for personal reflection or group discussion.

1. Why is pride or boasting a good thing; but when does it become bad?
2. List some things of which we can be boastful, 17-18.
3. What is God’s will for your life, 18a; and how do you know His will?
4. How narrow, or how broad, is God’s will for your life? 2 Peter 3:9b, 1 Thessalonians 4:3,8, 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, and 1 Peter 2:15.
5. What four images are used to describe you, 19-20; and why are they accurate?
6. Suggest ways we can correct the perception of v24.

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