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## The Enemies of the Cross

Philippians 3:18-20 July 4, 2021

Not all of Jesus	appear as enemies.
One of Satan's tactics is	
False doctrine, false teachers and fa on the name of Jesus. "Beware of false prophets, which come to you inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall kno gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles?" Ma	in sheep's clothing, but w them by their fruits. Do men
"If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doc godliness; He is proud, knowing nothing, but do strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, re Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, a supposing that gain is godliness: from such wit 1 Timothy 6:3-5	trine which is according to oting about questions and ailings, evil surmisings, and destitute of the truth,
We must vehemently ag	gainst false teaching, as
it leads us astray from the Truth.  "Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirit because many false prophets are gone out into the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth the flesh is of God: And every spirit that confesseth in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit the heard that it should come; and even now alread 1 John 4:1-3	the world. Hereby know ye hat Jesus Christ is come in the not that Jesus Christ is come of antichrist, whereof ye have
"That we henceforth be no more children, tosse about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleigh craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;"	nt of men, and cunning
The enemies of the cross	salvation, but

are not saved.

"Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity." Matthew 7:22-23

"Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it." Matthew 7:13-14

Look not at the that people claim for themselves, but the which Jesus places on them.
The enemies of the cross have their fleshly desires.  "For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple."  Romans 16:18
The enemies of the cross areof those things that are shameful.  "Why boastest thou thyself in mischief, O mighty man?the goodness of God endureth continually. Thy tongue deviseth mischiefs; like a sharp razor, working deceitfully. Thou lovest evil more than good; and lying rather than to speak righteousness. Selah. Thou lovest all devouring words, O thou deceitful tongue. God shall likewise destroy thee for ever, he shall take thee away, and pluck thee out of thy dwelling place, and root thee out of the land of the living. Selah." Psalms 52:1-5
"And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient; Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful: Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them." Romans 1:28-32
This is usually a combination of ignorance,, immaturity or

The enemies of the cross mind things.

"For all seek their own, not the things which are Jesus Christ's." Philippians 2:21

The enemies of the cross damage the name of Jesus by having an anti-Christ spirit.

We don't seek to satisfy the flesh, but to satisfy Jesus.

We are not proud of our sin, nor seek to cover our sin, but lament and repent over it.

We realize that this world is a façade and we must live with eternity in mind.

