

## Are You an Enemy of the Cross? (Part 2)

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- **PROPOSITION:** In Chapter 3 of Philippians Paul calls you to reevaluate seven criteria in your life so that you will know for certain where you stand with Christ.

- 1) **Reevaluate Your Joy in the Lord (1a).**
  - 2) **Reevaluate Your Dedication to the Word (1b).**
  - 3) **Reevaluate Your Understanding of the Gospel (2–3).**
  - 4) **Reevaluate Your Past Achievements as Worthless (4–6).**
  - 5) **Reevaluate Your Present Righteousness in Christ (7–11).**
  - 6) **Reevaluate Your Future Prize with Christ (12–16)**
- 7) **Reevaluate the \_\_\_\_\_ for your \_\_\_\_\_ (17–21)**

### Verse 19:

- 1) **An Enemy of the Cross will be destroyed.**
- 2) **An Enemy of the Cross Serves their own appetite.**
- 3) **An Enemy of the Cross \_\_\_\_\_ in their \_\_\_\_\_.**

- **The word glory in verse 19 means:**

- **The word shame in verse 19 means:**

- 4) **An Enemy of the Cross lives by \_\_\_\_\_.**

- **The phrase “set their minds” translates one word in the original which is a present active participle. This means:**

# Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions and praying through the issues will help you further meditate upon God's Word in order to see the areas of your life that need change.

1. According to the "values" of our society, what are some characteristics they esteem when in reality Scripture labels them as sin?

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2. In verse 19, Paul states that those who are the enemies of the cross glory in their shame. What should someone glory in if they are a true follower of Christ? What should we as believers boast in? (There are many that you could name. List five and provide the scriptural references.)

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3. It is amazing how much nonverbal communication communicates to others. When shame is felt how does the body communicate that to others or to yourself? What are some nonverbal ways of communicating shame? Are there some places in Scripture where this is demonstrated? How would a knowledge of this type of communication help you minister to others?

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4. Name some passages in Scripture that address one's thinking as either being earthly or heavenly. Name five characteristics that flow from earthly thinking and five characteristics that flow from heavenly thinking.

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5. What are some additional thoughts and/or application from this morning's lesson? What does this passage teach you about man and about God?

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***This week's Bible Reading:***

<b><i>Sunday, April 18:</i></b> Judg 7:1-8:35 Luk 10:17-37	<b><i>Monday, April 19:</i></b> Judg 9:1-10:5 Luk 10:38-11:13	<b><i>Tuesday, April 20:</i></b> Judg 10:6-12:7 Luk 11:14-36	<b><i>Wednesday, April 21:</i></b> Judg 12:8-15:20 Luk 11:37-54
<b><i>Thursday, April 22:</i></b> Judg 16:1-18:31 Luk 12:1-21	<b><i>Friday, April 23:</i></b> Judg 19:1-20:48 Luk 12:22-40	<b><i>Saturday, April 24:</i></b> Judg 21:1-Rth 2:23 Luk 12:41-59	<b><i>Sunday, April 25:</i></b> Rth 3:1-1 Sam 1:20 Luk 13:1-22