

Stand Firm as an Ally of the Cross

Phil 3:17-4:1

A mature thinker disciplines their mind through dependency on the Holy Spirit to:

- ___emember God's Truth
- ___cept God's Instruction
- ___are about Your Actions
- ___xemplify discipline for spiritual growth

What is the opposite of an ally of the cross of Christ?

Beware of those who entice people to _____ as adversaries of the cross of Christ (v.18-19)

Self-centeredness—

Spiritual myopia—

- Their god is their stomach – appetite is fixed _____ to their physical gratifications
- Their glory is in their shame – _____ about their sinful actions.
- Their mind is focused on earthly things – care _____ about what God cares about.

The Myth of Progress—

5 affirmations for allies of the cross of Christ (Phil. 3:20-4:1)

1. _____ IN HEAVEN'S RECORDS
2. _____ WITH HOPE BECAUSE OF THEIR CITIZENSHIP
 - Phil. 1:27
 - 1 Peter 3:15
3. _____ FOR THEIR LORD'S APPEARING
 - Phil. 2:8-11
4. _____ FORWARD TO NEW BODIES FIT FOR HEAVEN
 - 1 Cor. 15:51-56
 - 1 John 3:2
5. _____ TO CHRIST
 - Matt. 28:18-20
 - Prov. 3:3

3 signs of loyalty to Christ:

1. YOU _____ FIRMLY TO GOD'S WORD (*PHIL. 2:15*)
2. YOU _____ YOUR LIFE AROUND CHRIST (*PHIL. 3:8-11*)
3. YOU _____ YOUR _____ ON HIM FOR HE _____ FOR YOU (*1 PETER 5:6-11*)