

PHILIPPIANS...PART XX
"Get an eternal perspective"
Reference: **Philippians 3:17-20**
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There are two different role models mentioned in this section: from verse seventeen, the first example is a good one and describes Paul...the second and most unacceptable example is the Judaizers described in verses eighteen and nineteen.

verse seventeen, "*Brethren, join in following my example...*"

Reference: **I Corinthians 11:1**, "*Imitate me, as I also imitate Christ.*"

verse seventeen continued, "*...and note (or notice) those who so walk (conduct themselves) as you have us for a pattern.*"

Those ancient false teachers called Judaizers were the second example cited in this text and were referred to as enemies of the cross.

verse eighteen, "*For many walk (conduct themselves) of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ.*"

Paul mentions, in verse nineteen, four basic characteristics of those that are considered enemies of the cross...

- "*whose end is destruction...*"
- "*whose god is their belly...*"
- "*and whose glory is in their shame...*"
- "*who set their mind on earthly things...*"

verse twenty, "*For our **citizenship** is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.*"

Reference: **I Peter 2:11**, "*Beloved, I beg you as **sojourners** and **pilgrims**, abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul.*"

- _____ is in heaven
Ephesians 1:20
- _____ are in heaven
Ephesians 3:10
- Our _____ are in heaven
Ephesians 1:3
- Our spiritual _____ is in heaven (because our position is in Christ and Christ is in heaven)
Ephesians 2:4-7
- Our ultimate actual _____ is in heaven
John 14:1-3
- Our _____ is in heaven
Philippians 3:20



Definition: focusing on the line and not the dot (i.e. eternal perspective) means something _____ or something _____ from Christ-centered motivation intended to bring glorification to _____ and contribute to the betterment of _____

Reference: **Colossians 3:1-4**,

verse one, "*If then you were raised with Christ, **seek those things which are above**, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God.*"

verse two, "***Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth.***"