

A Comparison of Imitation Philippians 3:17-4:1

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Thesis: We may feel the pull to live like the world by imitating how the world lives, but we must stand firm in the Lord by imitating the example of those that follow Christ.

Comparison:

1. A mind set on earthly things vs. a mind set on Heaven (3:19, 20).
2. Glory in shame vs. glory in our Savior Jesus Christ (3:19, 20).
3. Wrong view of our bodily desires vs. right view of God's plan for our bodies (3:19, 21).

4. Their end is destruction vs. our end is a glorious body (3:19, 21)

5. Enemies of the cross vs. empowered by the cross (3:18, 21)

6. Our view of the lost vs. our view of other Christians (3:18, 4:1)

Conclusion:

Stand firm in the Lord by imitating those that imitate Christ.