

I. Follow The <u>Leaders</u> – vs. 17

Symmimētēs – joint or fellow imitator.

1 Corinthians 11:1

Philippians 3:12-13a

1 John 1:8-10

Philippians 3:13-14

Skopé \bar{o} – to notice <u>carefully</u>, to watch out for, <u>inspect</u>

Philippians 1:1a, 25 1 Timothy 4:12 2 Timothy 2:15 Hebrews 13:7 1 Timothy 4:16

1 Timothy 3:1

II. <u>Many</u> Imposters – vs. 18

Polys - many, a great number

Matthew 7::22

2 Corinthians 11:13-15

Acts 20:28-31

III. Earthly Minded, Headed For Destruction - vs. 19

2 Thessalonians 1:8-9

Koilía - belly, womb, feelings, desires

Romans 16:18

James 4:4

1 John 2:15

IV. Citizens Of Heaven, Waiting For Our Savior - vs. 20

Políteuma - commonwealth, place of citizenship

Philippians 1:27

John 18:36

2 Timothy 2:3-4

1 Corinthians 2:1-5

Apekdéchomai – to await eagerly

V. Looking Forward To <u>Glorification</u> – vs. 21

Romans 8:23-25

2 Corinthians 5:6-8

Romans 8:29-30

1 John 3:2

Closing Thought: Beloved, we are to follow Godly examples as they imitate Christ. We are to avoid the imposters headed toward destruction, who preach Christ plus works, or Christ minus righteousness. We must focus on our eternal home, and stop being focused on our temporal dwelling place, earth. Eagerly anticipating the return of our Savior, who will take us home for all eternity! How is your focus?