

We openly admit that we are headed into the future and there are plenty of enemies: there is the enemy of doubt out there, the enemy of fear, the enemy of ignoring spiritual things, enemy of laziness, the enemy of self-righteousness. Yes, there is plenty of that still around.

These enemies are all yours. Satan's business is to make you fear that God will not do this or that, or God will not keep His promises, to make you to doubt God's word. Actually we find that he has succeeded in moving into our society, into our nation, and planting doubt and unbelief in the hearts and lives of men.

The intellectuals of today are telling us that the Bible is a book of legends or myths; that we cannot depend on it, it is full of contradictions and such. They tell us that we are our own gods; we make our own rules, we live by our own rules. There is not doubt that the world is going after materials things, which are considered success and prosperity.

God is not measuring you or me by the world standards but by the standard of His Son Jesus. God's way of looking at prosperity is how much of Christ do you have in your life. The more of Christ you have in your life the more prosperity you have. They say, that all there is, is what little pleasure we get out of this life. That is another enemy which is trying to focus our attention on pleasure. Paul said that in the last days they shall be "—lovers of pleasure more that lovers of God" - 2 Timothy 3:4b