

# The Struggles that Surround us - 4

*This is totally your study. Nobody will be instructing you and nobody will be grading you. It will just be you, your Bible, these lessons, your own paper, and of course, the Holy Spirit guiding and teaching you.*

<b>STRUGGLE</b>	<b>Hating Christ &amp; Christianity</b>
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Christians are hated these days because people hate Christ.

**Why** are we hated?

(John 15:19) \_\_\_\_\_

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(1 Peter 2:9) \_\_\_\_\_

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(James 4:4) \_\_\_\_\_

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(Psalm 4:3) \_\_\_\_\_

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**Why** does the world hate God (Romans 1:29-30)

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**Why** does the world hate the light? (John 3:19-21)

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**Why** does the world hate the Truth?

(Romans 1:18) \_\_\_\_\_

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(Amos 5:10) \_\_\_\_\_

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It's like reading out of today's newspaper or hearing the evening news.

**What** are the rules that the world prefers?

(Romans 10:3) \_\_\_\_\_

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(Matthew 7:22-23) \_\_\_\_\_

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(Ephesians 2:8-9) \_\_\_\_\_

**The** world actually believes \_\_\_\_\_ (2 Thess. 2:11-12)

**The** world mistakes love for \_\_\_\_\_ (Proverbs 13:24)

*Paul reminds us in 2 Corinthians 4:4 that the unbelieving world has been blinded by the devil. He hates us; he hates Christ; he hates truth; he hates the light. How could the world do anything else until they personally meet Christ Who is our God, our truth, our light.*

**Could** the world be actually mad that we are not in the same condition that they're in? What do these verses share about that?

(John 15:19) \_\_\_\_\_

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(1 Peter 2:9) \_\_\_\_\_

**Explain** how hating Christians can become a contagious event.

(Proverbs 13:20) \_\_\_\_\_

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(Luke 23:22-23) \_\_\_\_\_

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Exodus 23:2 \_\_\_\_\_

*Some in the world thinks we Christians are stupid (1 Corinthians 1:27).*

*The world does not want their evil lives exposed; they do not want to change. They will not believe the message of Christ but they will believe & spread false teachings.*

**What** else makes the world mad at Christians & their commitment to Jesus?

(1 Peter 4:4) \_\_\_\_\_

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(John 14:24) \_\_\_\_\_

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(Romans 14:12) \_\_\_\_\_

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(Ephesians 4:18) \_\_\_\_\_

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**Who** does the world admire (worship)? (John 8:44) \_\_\_\_\_

**What** do we have that the world does not have? (Romans 8:9)

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**Why** does the world hate the Bible?

(1 Corinthians 1:18) \_\_\_\_\_

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(2 Timothy 3:12) \_\_\_\_\_

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Could not Christians mess up corrupt businesses or agendas? Explain.

(Acts 19:24-27) \_\_\_\_\_

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(Acts 16:16-20) \_\_\_\_\_

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Here's is John's parting shot in this lesson. Write it down. (1 John 3:13)

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