



Witnesses and the Mormons. These attempt to under mine Christ and exalt man. In the world there are the many eastern religions; there is the New Age movement that says you – it says 'don't be oppressed by doctrine, true appeal to the flesh.

the deity of Christ, to cut down many and various gods and idols of the world. It says God is not the Creator; God is your feelings. It is a deception that

There is the Masonic Lodge, which many Christians perhaps not realizing that the religious aspect of it is the only way; there is the transcendent, unknown salvation or God's love; And then there is the non-pleasure and fun become the gods of the day. For the mind it can all be a real ball of confusion.

hink is compatible with their faith, the Lodge rejects the concept that Christ is the true God of Islam that offers no surety of religious deception in the world where we are unprepared and spiritually unaware

There is currently a movement underway in the world there is increasing pressure for Christians to water down the message that Christ is the only way to heaven.

to try to unite all these religions and water down the message that Christ is the

But how do we recognize what is real from that which is with handling money such as waiters and cashiers between the real and the fake currency. For example counterfeit something someone can do to touch (the ink is not raised, it's counterfeit. One can tilt it to see the change of colours. If they don't change colour it's counterfeit by being familiar with the real McC

is false? People who routinely work are trained to spot the differences, with the \$20 bill to spot the raised ink on the bill's number). If the counterfeit. Basically, one can recognize

And the same goes with religion. The more familiar the Word of God in the Bible the better we can spot we are urgently invited to spend time in God's Word rather for refreshment of our souls, for clarity to children and to grow in Christ's image and to receive Word become a bigger and bigger part of our being. Word of God. As it says in Ephesians 6:17 "Take the the Spirit, which is the Word of God."

we can be with the one true faith and the counterfeit religions. This is why, not a rule of law or a burden but see our purpose in this world as God's vest strength in our Saviour and have His The weapon against the devil is the helmet of salvation and the sword of

St. Paul says to the Philippians that for those who "their end is destruction and their god is their belly, ourselves. How many times do we use the word

walk as enemies of the cross of Christ lly, and they glory in their shame, with we profess the cross of Christ in quently we act as though our god is our , "I" in our sentences?

When our focus is on earthly things instead of divi place ourselves on the throne instead of having God happens it impairs our relationships, it especially know the story of Joseph the son of Jacob, as his brothers sold him into slavery in Egypt and then he had risen to power in Egypt they were afraid when thought that he would take revenge on them. Instead in the place of God? Don't be afraid. I will provide reassured them and spoke kindly to them."

nethings, there is a tendency for us to on the throne in our lives. When this impairs our ability to forgive others. We ded in Genesis. When Joseph's arslater came to realize that Joseph heymeth him again in face to face. They , Joseph said, "Don't be afraid. Am I for you and your children." It says 'he

Joseph equated taking revenge with being in the place of God. The Bible says that only He is holy, and anger, even if we have been hurt badly in the past, judgement seat and we forget that we too are sinner

Friends, the next time you feel tempted to take revenge in the place of God? Admit that God has not appointed those of our own family. Instead, think of the cross and the life-giving power of the Gospel work in you and ends with the cross.

The cross is what separates the true faith from the world. With all the religions and all the many philosophies are in the one true faith that comes from God? It's seriously consider. The answer is this: All the major moral codes, that is, to do good to one's neighbour. Christ says, "Love your neighbour and do not hate your neighbour."

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But do you spot the difference? How is that difference? Salvation is purely by God's grace. We admit we are ourselves and we return our lives over to Christ. We take the cross and has risen to life again, and who has transformed our lives by the power of His Word and the Holy Spirit.

How do we know we are in the true faith? Because the one who saves is by grace alone. This results in praise of God and spiritual pride on our part. All glory be to God alone.

Paul says, "Stand firm in the Lord" for in His grace He makes us strong and prepared against spiritual attacks. We thank God for His gift of Baptism. He has made us His own. We have witnessed a miracle. Yaqin Baptized and brought her into the Kingdom of the Son He loves. This is the mighty power of God.

Let's hold onto what we already have. Let's know that we have spent time with Him each day, friends. Let's digest the refreshings spring of the water of life. For the Word of God brings peace, friends. Amen. The peace of God that surpasses all understanding keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. Amen.

of God. The Bible says that only He is holy, and without sin. But when we hold onto our sins, we essentially put ourselves in the place of God. We are saved only by the grace of God.

When we feel tempted to take revenge, think about Joseph who said, "Am I not a man of peace?" Instead of taking revenge, where Christ earned forgiveness. Then we can rest in His peace. The power of forgiveness begins with the cross.

counterfeit faiths in the world. Friends, in the world how do we know that we are in the true faith? A good question and one we need to ask. All religions in the world have a similar moral code. This is also in the Christian faith where we are saved by the grace of God.

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