Pastor Matt Morrell Sunday, May 5, 2024 Fourth Baptist Church

The Passion of a Preacher

Philippians 3:17-4:1

Preachers are known to sometimes talk fast, sweat profusely, raise their voices, pound the pulpit, or even rant and rave about a given subject. However, Philippians 3:17-4:1 describes the passion of a preacher who exhorted a church with tears.

I.	Follow after	(3:17)
II.	Flee from	(3:18-19)
	A. They	_ destruction (3:19a)
	B. They	_ themselves (3:19b)
	C. They	_ in their shame (3:19c)
	D. They	on earthly things (3:19d)
Ш	. Focus on	(3:20-4:1)

Sadly, because of apathy toward the truth and shallow biblical knowledge, the church today lacks discernment. It is astonishing and disturbing to see the things Christians believe and the people they follow. A lack of consistent and long-term precise biblical exposition from the pulpit has led to a lack of precise biblical thinking and discernment. The tragic result is the widespread victimization of the church by enemies of the cross of Christ.

- John MacArthur