### **ENEMIES OF THE LORD**

#### INTRODUCTION

- I. The word "enemy" or "enemies" is used a lot in scripture.
- A. In the O.T., they are used 100's of times to describe those who opposed God and His people.
- B. In the N.T., they are used 30 times to describe Satan, and ALL who oppose the Lord and His people.
- II. Now let's examine these enemies.

### DISCUSSION

# I. 1st, the chief enemy of the Lord is SATAN himself.

- 1. It is so stated to be the PRINCE of evil. Matt. 13:24-28, 36-40
- 2. HE is an enemy of RIGHTEOUSNESS. Acts 13:8-10
- 3. He has the power of DEATH. 1Cor.15:56
  - a. He is the leader of false religion. 1 Tim. 4:1-3
  - b. It follows an apostasy. Acts 20:28-30; 2 Thes. 2:1-3
  - c. He exalts himself above God. v. 4
  - d. He began his enmity early. vs. 6-8
  - e. He would ultimately be known. v. 8-12
- 4. He would ultimately be at the footstool of Jesus. Psa. 110:1-2 1 Cor. 15:25-26; Heb.10:11-13
- 5. He is the LAST enemy to oppose Jesus. 1 Cor. 15:25
- 6. He will ultimately be rendered powerless. Matt. 25:41; Rev. 20:7-10

# II. 2<sup>nd</sup>, ALL who are LOST are enemies of the Lord.

Jas. 4:4; Phil. 3:18; Col. 1:21; Rom. 5:10

#### Conclusion

- I. Are you a friend or enemy of the Lord? John 14:15; 15:14
- II. Exhortation