



# **Sufferings: For You, For Them**

**(vv. 14 - 15a)**

**“ekklesia:” church**

***anti-Semitism: hostility toward,  
or discrimination  
against, Jews***

*...the wisdom which none of the rulers of this age has understood; for if they had understood it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory...*

*1 Corinthians 2:8*

*...Christ died for our sins according to the  
Scriptures...*

*1 Corinthians 15:3*

*For I could wish that I myself were accursed,  
separated from Christ for the sake of my  
countrymen...*

*Romans 9:3*

*Brothers and sisters, my heart's desire and my  
prayer to God for them is for their salvation.*

*Romans 10:1*

# **Hindrances: Of People, Of Satan**

**(vv. 15b - 18)**



*For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of people who suppress the truth in unrighteousness...*

*Romans 1:18*

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# SATAN

Who is the talking serpent who tempted Adam and Eve to evil in the Garden of Eden? A comprehensive study of the Old and New Testaments reveals a creature with various titles:

- *Satan*, Hebrew for "accuser" (Job 1:6–12)
- "god" of this world (2 Cor. 4:4)
- The devil (Matthew 4:1–11)
- The adversary (1 Peter 5:8 NASB)
- The father of lies (John 8:44)
- Beelzebul (Matthew 12:24)

This spirit opposes God—and everything and everyone that is near and dear to God's heart (John 10:10; 1 Peter 5:8). He is described as the ruler of a host of other fallen angels, which are demons (Matthew 25:41), and a powerful force in this world (2 Corinthians 4:4; Ephesians 6:12). The Bible assures us that Jesus—through his death and resurrection—came to defeat the devil and destroy his works (1 John 3:8).

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**Sources: Of Pride, Of Joy**

**(vv. 19 - 20)**



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*I have no greater joy than this, to hear of my children walking in the truth.*

*3 John 1:4*

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