

SO I'M A LITTLE NARROW MINDED Matthew 7:13-27

All Christians believe Jesus is _____
Everyone else believes that Jesus is _____
For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6

(vv.13-14)
All Christians believe Jesus is the _____
Everyone else believes Jesus is _____
Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life: no one comes to the Father but through Me. John 14:6

Jesus therefore said to them again, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. 8 "All who came before Me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not hear them. 9 "I am the door; if anyone enters through Me, he shall be saved.... John 10:7-9

But I am afraid that, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, your minds will be led astray from the simplicity and purity of devotion to Christ. 4 For if one comes and preaches another Jesus whom we have not preached, or you receive a different spirit which you have not received, or a different gospel which you have not accepted, you bear this beautifully. 2 Corinthians 11:3-4

*Because narrow (stenos) is the gate and difficult (thlibo) is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it.
Matthew 7:14 (NKJV)*

Stenos: narrow - straight (Thayer's)
Difficult: thlibo - "to suffer affliction, to be troubled," has reference to sufferings due to the pressure of circumstances, or the antagonism of persons, "straitened," "throng," "pressed," when used of the present experience of believers, refer almost invariably to that which comes upon them from without. Narrow, press, straitened, tribulation, trouble. (Vine's Expository)

Jesus is the _____
The way is _____ and found by _____

False Prophets and Wolves in Sheep's Clothing (v.15)
For a while they look a lot like _____ (Believers)
False Prophets have a _____
Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood. 29 For I know this, that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock. 30 Also from among yourselves men will rise up, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after themselves Acts 20:28-30

Rise up from _____ the Church
Through _____ they _____ the truth
to fit their agenda _____
...speaking perverse (distrefo) things to draw away the disciples...
Perverse: diastrefo - to distort, pervert, corrupt (Thayer's)

Draw disciples to _____ not _____
In the end wolves _____

(vv.21-23)
They point to what _____ did and not what _____ did

Many (Mostly) will say to Me on that day, 'Lord, Lord'....And then I will declare to them 'I never knew you'. (vv.22-24)

Two Foundations (vv.24-27)
To safeguard against hearing "I never knew you" I build my life on what _____

My foundation will be revealed at the ultimate _____
and when I'm going through the _____
"The one on whom seed was sown on the rocky places, this is the man who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; 21 yet he has no firm root in himself, but is only temporary, and when affliction or persecution arises because of the word, immediately he falls away. Matthew 13:20-21