CORRUPT FRUITS Matthew 7: 16-18

The fruits of false prophets are a strong hand and a weak gospel. He does not know the Word or believe the Word is able to save. Therefore, with himself and others, he is covetousness for the glory that belongs to the triune God alone. He professes to know God but in all his works--in his weak gospel and strong methods--he is highly esteemed among men, but an abomination to God; forcing obedience in men, but disobedient to God; in every work which is good fruit in the true prophet, the false prophet is reprobate. (Titus 1: 16; 2 Timothy 3: 5.)

The duller the ax the more a man must use his own strength. The weaker the gospel the more extras have to be used. Men highly esteem it, many go in thereat, but the end is death (Ecclesiastes 10: 10.)

God said salvation is not by might or by power but by the Spirit of the Lord. The pure word of God is sharper than any two-edged sword. Therefore, the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace (Ecclesiastes 10: 10; Hebrews 4: 12; James 3: 17, 18.)

Those who have the Word of truth have all things and they must follow him. Therefore they do not need man's inventions. They have God's Way of salvation. Few go in this Way, but he is the Way of life.