

II PETER 2; December 20; The Danger of False Teachers

ANALYSIS:

1. Who is Peter warning his readers to be aware of in this chapter?

2. What describes the false teachers in verse 1 _____,
verse 2 _____,
verse 10 _____?

3. What examples of God's past judgments are cited as proof that God will judge false teachers? _____

4. What do false teachers promise, but are unable to deliver?

5. What disgusting animal actions picture the behavior and end of false teachers? _____

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

In this chapter we see the connection between false teachers and their false teaching and many forms of ungodly living. Presumption, self-will, critical of authority, eyes full of adultery, covetousness, lusts of the flesh, wantonness, serving corruption are characteristics of a life style which embraces false doctrine. Where the pure doctrine of God is preached and loved is where you will find the highest standard of morality in professing Christian church members. Thank the LORD for His true servants who live godly lives and press their hearers to the same.

Be thankful for every message you hear which calls us to live godly in our corrupt age. There is great peace to be enjoyed now and the promise of the Lord's approval for living godly in our ungodly age (1 Pet 3:10-12).

HELP:

1. False teachers (v 1).

2. Verse 1: They come into the church privily [secretly], bringing damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them. Verse 2: Many will follow them, their ways are pernicious [causing death or great harm], causing the truth to be evil spoken of. Verse 10: They walk after the flesh, they walk in the lust of uncleanness, they despise government [authority], they are presumptuous, self-willed, bold to criticize authorities.

3. God's judgment of [1] the angels that sinned, [2] the old world of Noah's day, [3] the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha (vs 4-6).

4. They promise them liberty, but are themselves servants of corruption (v 19).

5. The dog that turns to his own vomit again, and the washed sow that returns to her wallowing in the mire (v 22).