

# “Beware of False Influencers”

Jude 12-19

Sunday, November 23, 2025

## 1. They Look Spiritual, But Aren't (v.12a)

- A. (Ac 20:29–30) <sup>29</sup> For I know this, that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock. <sup>30</sup> Also from among yourselves men will rise up, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after themselves." NKJV
- B. (Mt 15:8–9) <sup>8</sup> ‘These people draw near to Me with their mouth, And honor Me with their lips, But their heart is far from Me. <sup>9</sup> And in vain they worship Me, Teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.’" NKJV

## 2. They Lead Others Astray (v.12b–13)

- A. (1 Ti 5:24) "Some men's sins are clearly evident, preceding them to judgment, but those of some men follow later." NKJV
- B. (Mt 7:18–20) <sup>18</sup> A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit. <sup>19</sup> Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. <sup>20</sup> Therefore by their fruits you will know them." NKJV
- C. (Ro 13:8) "Owe no one anything except to love one another, for he who loves another has fulfilled the law." NKJV

## 3. They Face Certain Judgment (v.14–19)

- A. (Re 19:11) "Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war." NKJV

### Write-up

In this message from Jude 12–19, we see what it means to *Beware of False Influencers*—those who appear spiritual but lack the substance of true faith. Through Jude's vivid warnings and timeless imagery, we learn how to recognize empty religion, remain anchored in truth, and bear fruit that lasts. This message reminds us that real faith is more than appearance—it's a life transformed and sustained by the presence and power of Jesus Christ.

### Social Media Post

Join us this Sunday as we open Jude 12–19 and discover what it means to *Beware of False Influencers*—seeing how God equips us to discern truth from appearance and stay anchored in His Word, steady and faithful in Christ.