2 Peter 2 Oystercrackers

Truth Annihilates Deception

Our best defense against deception is to know the Truth

Destructive Doctrines of False-Teachers

1 But there were also false prophets among the people, even as there will be false teachers among you, who will secretly bring in destructive heresies, even denying the Lord who bought them, *and* bring on themselves swift destruction. ² And many will follow their destructive ways, because of whom the way of truth will be blasphemed. ³ By covetousness they will exploit you with deceptive words; for a long time their judgment has not been idle, and their destruction does not slumber.



Doom of False Teachers

⁴ For if God did not spare the angels who sinned, but cast *them* down to hell and delivered *them* into chains of darkness, to be reserved for judgment; ⁵ and did not spare the ancient world, but saved Noah, *one of* eight *people*, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood on the world of the ungodly; ⁶ and turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes, condemned *them* to destruction, making *them* an example to those who afterward would live ungodly; ⁷ and delivered righteous Lot, *who was* oppressed by the filthy conduct of the wicked ⁸ (for that righteous man, dwelling among them, tormented *his* righteous soul from day to day by seeing and hearing *their* lawless deeds)— ⁹ *then* the Lord knows how to deliver the godly out of temptations and to reserve the unjust under punishment for the day of judgment, ¹⁰ and especially those who walk according to the flesh in the lust of uncleanness and despise authority. *They are* presumptuous, self-willed. They are not afraid to speak evil of dignitaries, ¹¹ whereas angels, who are greater in power and might, do not bring a reviling accusation against them before the Lord.

Depravity of False Teachers

¹² But these, like natural brute beasts made to be caught and destroyed, speak evil of the things they do not understand, and will utterly perish in their own corruption, ¹³ and will receive the wages of unrighteousness, as those who count it pleasure to carouse in the daytime. They are spots and blemishes, carousing in their own deceptions while they feast with you, ¹⁴ having eyes full of adultery and that cannot cease from sin, enticing unstable souls. They have a heart trained in covetous practices, and are accursed children. ¹⁵ They have forsaken the right way and gone astray, following the way of Balaam the son of Beor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness; ¹⁶ but he was rebuked for his iniquity: a dumb donkey speaking with a man's voice restrained the madness of the prophet. ¹⁷ These are wells without water, clouds carried by a tempest, for whom is reserved the blackness of darkness forever.

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¹⁸ For when they speak great swelling *words* of emptiness, they allure through the lusts of the flesh, through lewdness, the ones who have actually escaped from those who live in error. ¹⁹ While they promise them liberty, they themselves are slaves of corruption; for by whom a person is overcome, by him also he is brought into bondage. ²⁰ For if, after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled in them and overcome, the latter end is worse for them than the beginning. ²¹ For it would have been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than having known *it*, to turn from the holy commandment delivered to them. ²² But it has happened to them according to the true proverb: "A dog returns to his own vomit," and, "a sow, having washed, to her wallowing in the mire."

Why so much about false-teachers?

Instead of asking why the Word speaks so much regarding false-prophets/teachers, we should ask why are there so many False-prophets/Teachers? Do they have nothing better to do or is it something much more diabolical? The false-prophet seeks to guide the victim onto the same broad road of destruction they are on. Their prey are those who are unstable in the church and those not yet born-again who are seeking. [NJC]

• **Ch. 1:** True OT prophets are 100% correct 100% of the time

I. Destructive Doctrines of False Teachers

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False Prophets have always been...

OT Israel False Prophets
 NT Church False Teachers
 Usurping God's True Prophets
 Among us Deceiving God's people

1. **Secretly Introducing** Teachings, Books, Ministries, CD's that are...

2. **Destructive Heresies** Act of taking, e.g. Storming city. rt. Taking for one's self

These false teachers deny the Lord who bought them They say they love/serve Christ but the things they teach/do are a complete denial of Him.

2 And **many will follow** their destructive ways, because of whom the way of truth will be blasphemed. 3 By covetousness they will exploit you with deceptive words; for a long time their judgment has not been idle [but getting closer], and their destruction does not slumber.

False-teachers **will** cause MANY to take the Wide Road to Destruction Speak Evil of the Narrow Road of Salvation

E.g. Of the preaching of the cross: Too narrow minded. Do not judge. God is Love

Motivation Driven by Greed

Targets Unstable/Unsaved

Desire Exploit their victims. Lit. Make merchandise of them

Method Deceptive Words

Goal Money. Not Truth/Salvation but keeping seats filled

IOWs Believe/Do what you want but don't stop coming. Don't stop giving
The Broad Road from begins at Laodicea and leads to Hell

Destructive Doctrines of False Teacher: Leading to their own destruction...

II. Doom of False Teachers

4 For if **God did not spare the angels** who sinned, but cast them down to hell and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be **reserved for judgment**; 5 and **did not spare the ancient world**, but saved Noah, one of eight people, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood on the world of the ungodly; 6 and turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes, condemned them to destruction, making them an example to those who afterward would live ungodly; 7 and delivered **righteous Lot**, who was oppressed by the filthy conduct of the wicked 8 (for that righteous man, dwelling among them, tormented his righteous soul from day to day by seeing and hearing their lawless deeds)— 9 then the **Lord knows how to deliver the godly** out of temptations and to reserve the unjust under punishment for the day of judgment

- If God Almighty...
 - 1. Did not spare angels Judged/Chained in Abyss awaiting Final Judgement

2. Did not spare pre-flood humans

3. Did not spare Sodom

Delivered Noah Delivered Lot...

Then the Lord knows how to deliver the Righteous from His Judgment

Genesis 19:16 And while [Lot] lingered, the men took hold of his hand, his wife's hand, and the hands of his two daughters, the Lord being merciful to him, and they brought him out and set him outside the city ...29 And it came to pass, when God destroyed the cities of the plain, that God remembered Abraham, and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow, when He overthrew the cities in which Lot had dwelt.

God remembered/rescued Noah and Lot and will remember/rescue us from His wrath...

Revelation 3:10 Because you have kept My command to persevere, I also will **keep you** from the hour of trial which shall come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth.

The Lord knows how to deliver the Righteous from His Judgment
The Lord also knows how to keep the wicked for His Judgment

10 ...and **especially** those who walk according to the flesh in the lust of uncleanness and despise authority. They are presumptuous, self-willed. They are not afraid to speak evil of dignitaries, 11 whereas angels, who are greater in power and might, do not bring a reviling accusation against them before the Lord.

Special place in hell for some: Those who sin without restraint/care. **Those that...**

Lust After Filth/Pollution. rt. Contaminated/Contaminating

• **Despise** God Given Authority: Authority of the Word. e.g. women/perverted in pulpits

Presume God will not Judge. Lit. daring God to do something

• **Reason** Who is God that I should serve Him?

• **Blaspheme** All that which God calls holy/good/righteous

...they are not afraid if speaking evil of dignitaries, of glories, of the order that God has established in His universe. [JV McGee]

Special place in hell for some: Those who desire to sin without restraint Deceivers/Sneaks who infiltrate churches will be judged

Jude 1:4 For certain men have **crept in unnoticed**, who long ago were marked out for this condemnation, ungodly men, who turn the grace of our God into lewdness and deny the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ ...**7** as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities around them in a similar manner to these, having given themselves over to sexual immorality and gone after strange flesh, are set forth as an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire. 8 Likewise also these dreamers defile the flesh, reject authority, and speak evil of dignitaries.

- Destructive Doctrines of False Teacher: Wide Road
- **Doom of False Teachers:** Reserved for Everlasting Torment...

III. Depravity of False Teachers

12 But these, like **natural brute beasts** [Predators] made to be **caught and destroyed**, speak evil of the things they do not understand, and will utterly perish in their own corruption, 13 and will receive the wages of unrighteousness, as those who count it pleasure to carouse in the daytime.

This is a picture of those who are really lower than animals. They are those who delight in that which is vulgar, vile, and vicious. They relish [take pride italics mine] in that type of thing. [JV McGee]

- False Teachers are like Brute Beasts: Lit. By nature Unreasonable/Unregenerated
- 1. Like **Oystercrackers**...Only good Catch/Destroy
- 2. Judged as severely as those who **love to sin publicly** defying/provoking God

13b... They are spots and blemishes, carousing in their own deceptions while they **feast with you**, 14 having eyes full of adultery and that cannot cease from sin, enticing **unstable souls**. They have a heart trained in covetous practices, and are accursed children. 15 They have forsaken the right way and gone astray, following the way of Balaam the son of Beor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness; 16 but he was rebuked for his iniquity: a dumb donkey speaking with a man's voice restrained the madness of the prophet.

...there will be false teachers among you v1

- **Target:** Unstable Souls in the church. Stragglers
- **Demeaner:** Carousing Make-Believers. Lit. Sporting **themselves** as they eat with us
 - 1. Wandering lustful eyes/Deviants
 - 2. **Unable** to stop sinning against soft targets
 - 3. **Greedy/Cunning:** As they devising ways to make merchandise of the unstable

Way of Balaam: One who does religious work for personal profit [Num.22] Promising unstable/bound up souls freedom /Enslaving them by false teaching

17 These are wells without water, clouds carried by a tempest, for whom is reserved the blackness of darkness forever.

Among you... Discipline is not optional in a church

Jude 1:12 These are spots in your love feasts, while they feast with you without fear, serving only themselves. They are clouds without water, carried about by the winds; late autumn trees without fruit, twice dead, pulled up by the roots...

Philippians 3:19 [Their] end is destruction, whose **god is their belly**, and whose glory is in their shame—who **set their mind on earthly things**.

These Make-believing Imposters will keep coming...

2 Timothy 3:13 ... evil men and impostors [who] grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. 14 But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of...

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IV. Deceptions of False Teachers

18 For when they speak **great swelling words of emptiness**, they allure through the lusts of the flesh, through lewdness, the ones who have actually escaped from those who live in error. 19 While **they promise them liberty**, they **themselves are slaves** of corruption [depravity]; for by whom a person is overcome, by him also he is brought into bondage [Slavery].

- **Great Swelling Words** Purposefully exciting the lusts of the listener
- Catch those on the fence Those who have escaped but not yet saved

Like a Slave promising Freedom/Satan promising Eve she could be like God **Q.** How come it didn't work for you? You're a stinking snake?

• **Satan's Goal:** Catch them before they are actually regenerated. Take them to hell with him...

20 For if, after they have **escaped the pollutions** of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are **again entangled in them and overcome**, the **latter end is worse** for them than the beginning. 21 For it would have been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than having known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered to them. 22 But it has happened to them according to the true proverb: "**A dog returns to his own vomit**," and, "a sow, having washed, to her wallowing in the mire."

Misunderstood Scripture: The primary focus is not the man who left the pollution of the world and went back to his sin but the false teacher who derailed him. The false teacher sought/caught this poor soul after he left his old ways **but before he is actually saved**. We should feel pity for him, and utter contempt for the false-teacher who ruined him with false-teaching before he could accept the true gospel, repent and be saved. [NJC]

He escaped the pollution of the world...but not the corruption of his own flesh IOWs He was Diverted by the Perverted before getting saved

Matthew 23:13 "But woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you shut up the kingdom of heaven against men; for you neither go in yourselves, nor do you allow those who are entering to go in...15 "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you travel land and sea to win one proselyte, and when he is won, you make him twice as much a son of hell as yourselves.

Better to have not known the truth than know it and be turned away Deliverance without filling of the Holy Spirit following...does not end well

Matthew 12:45 [The demon who was cast out] goes and takes with him seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter and dwell there; and the **last state of that man** is worse than the first.

Hebrews 6:4 For it is impossible for those who were **once enlightened**, and have **tasted the heavenly gift**, and have **become partakers of the Holy Spirit**, 5 and have **tasted the good word of God** and the **powers of the age to come**, 6 if they fall away, to renew them again to repentance, since they crucify again for themselves the Son of God, and put Him to an open shame.

- IOWs: An individual can taste of the things of God and still be led away before being saved
- Satan's Goal: His prey to die before salvation. E.g. Assisted Suicide push UK, Canada
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False Teachings that Derail

- Partial Gospel: Easy Believism. No Repentance. Seed on wayside picked off by Satan
- Universalism: Universal fatherhood of God. IOW. Jesus died for all so all are saved
- Denying Jesus Deity: If you don't believe that I AM you will die in your sins
- Calvinism: God created some for heaven/hell. Man has no choice/ability. Division/No Fruit
- Legalism: Jesus plus keeping the Law.
- **Prosperity/Word of Faith** *Gospel*. Health/Wealth promised to all by faith
 - 1. Joel Osteen
 - 2. Kenneth Copeland
 - 3. Joyce Meyer
 - 4. Benny Hinn

False Teachings that Derail False Movements that Derail

- Hebrew Roots: Old Covenant
- Replacement Theology: God finished w/Israel. Promise transferred to Church
- New Apostolic Reformation: Bill Johnson, Rick Joyner, Kim Clement, and Lou Engle.

NAR is an unbiblical religious movement that emphasizes experience over Scripture, mysticism over doctrine, and modern-day "apostles" over the plain text of the Bible. Of particular distinction in the New Apostolic Reformation are the role and power of spiritual leaders and miracle-workers, the reception of "new" revelations from God, an over-emphasis on spiritual warfare, and a pursuit of cultural and political control in society. The seeking of signs and wonders in the NAR is always accompanied by blatantly false doctrine... According to this teaching, as the church unifies behind the apostles, these leaders will develop greater and greater supernatural powers. Eventually, this will include the ability to perform mass healings and suspend the laws of physics. These signs are meant to encourage a massive wave of converts to Christianity. These apostles are also destined to be recipients of a great wealth transfer (in the end times), which will enable the church to establish God's kingdom on earth. The church will take over The seven heads; i.e. The seven areas that the movement believe influence society and that they seek to influence are family, religion, education, media, entertainment, business, and government. IOW's Jesus will come back to a kingdom established by the church. No, Jesus will come back after destroying the earth to establish His Kingdom.

Begins by deviating from the Word

Bethel's response to being called out for "Christian" tarot cards: We practice a form of supernatural healing that flows from the universal presence of the Christ. We draw the same divine energy [nowhere in Scripture] of the Christ spirit, as ancient followers did and operate only out of the third heaven realm to gain insight and revelation.



Tarot cards in 2018/NAR today. 1 degree off now in outer space

Rule of Thumb: If its new it's not true...If it true it's not new God has given us all we need for life and Godliness in His Word

Hebrews 1:1 God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, 2 has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds; 3 who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power

Satan's Goal: Use False Teachers to Entice Unstable Souls Designed to Shelf the Unstable and Derail those not yet saved

Romans 16:17b ...note those who cause divisions and offenses, contrary to the doctrine which you learned, and avoid them. 18 For those who are such do not serve our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly, and by smooth words and flattering speech deceive the hearts of the simple.

Titus 1:10 ...there are many insubordinate, both idle talkers and **deceivers... 11 whose mouths must be stopped**, who subvert whole households, teaching things which they ought not, for the sake of dishonest gain.

Like Natural Brute Beasts are Good for Nothing but to Catch and Destroy
Oystercrackers

