

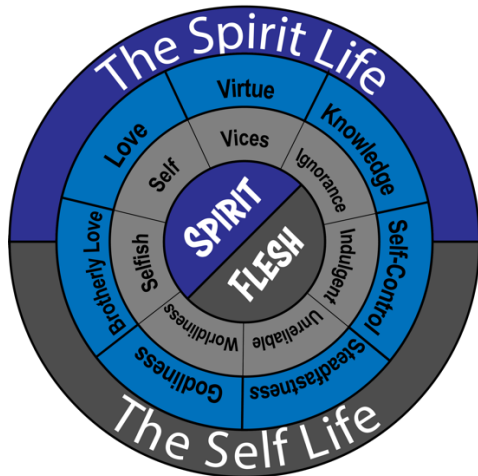
Second Peter: Courageous Living in Chaotic Days
The Activity of False Teachers
2 Peter 2:1-22

Courageous Living in Chaotic Days
 A Journey through Second Peter

The Walk	The Word	The War	The Wait
2 Peter 1:3-11	2 Peter 1:12-21	2 Peter 2:1-22	2 Peter 3:1-16

We began our journey with the now aged Apostle Peter in him teaching us what he reminded all believers throughout the Church...

The walk of a believer is marked by a holy life empowered by the Holy Spirit...



He then guided us in the reliability of God's Word through the prophets and apostles...

As we continue our journey with Peter, he now wants to expose the antithesis to the true Christian faith...

Chapter 2 of 2 Peter is composed entirely of Peter's exposure and assessment of FALSE TEACHERS...

Satan has an ungodly counterfeit for everything godly...

We began our study of Chapter 2 by looking at the REALITY OF FALSE TEACHERS...

False teachers will...

- ***Dwell among us***
- ***Divide between us***
- ***Delight many of us***
- ***Deceive some of us***

This week we are looking at the ANATOMY of false teachers...

So the question before us today is this...

How can I detect a false teacher from a true teacher of God's Word?

Today we want to look at the actual ACTIVITY of False teachers...

What is their actual teaching look like and what are the results...

1. A DEPARTURE from God's WORD

2 Peter 1:16–21 (ESV) — For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased,” we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. And we have the prophetic word more fully confirmed, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone’s own interpretation. For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

2 Timothy 3:16 (ESV) — All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness

Hebrews 4:12 (ESV) — For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

Two things bring about the departure from God’s Word...

A Denial of God’s Spirit...

John 16:12–13 (ESV) — I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth

comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.

When the Word of God is read through the guidance of the Spirit of God we function as true worshippers of God!

John 4:23 (ESV) — But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him.

A Drawing to Demonic Doctrines...

1 Timothy 4:1 (ESV) — 1 Now the Spirit expressly says that in later times some will depart from the faith by devoting themselves to deceitful spirits and teachings of demons

2. A DEFIANCE against God’s RULE

Peter gives three examples in chapter to of those who departed from God’s Word and defied God’s RULE...

2 Peter 2:1 (ESV) — But false prophets also arose among the people, just as there will be false teachers among you, who will secretly bring in destructive heresies, even denying the Master who bought them, bringing upon themselves swift destruction.

→ ANGELS with the people in Noah’s day...

2 Peter 2:4–5 (ESV) — For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but cast them into hell and committed them to chains of gloomy darkness to be kept until the judgment; if he did not spare the ancient world, but preserved Noah, a herald of righteousness, with seven others, when he brought a flood upon the world of the ungodly

Jude 6 (ESV) — 6 And the angels who did not stay within their own position of authority, but left their proper dwelling, he has kept in eternal chains under gloomy darkness until the judgment of the great day

Genesis 6:1–6 (ESV) — When man began to multiply on the face of the land and daughters were born to them, the sons of God saw that the daughters of man were attractive. And they took as their wives any they chose. Then the LORD said, “My Spirit shall not abide in man forever, for he is flesh: his days shall be 120 years.” The Nephilim were on the earth in those days, and also afterward, when the sons of God came in to the daughters of man and they bore children to them. These were the mighty men who were of old, the men of renown. The LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. And the LORD regretted that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him to his heart.

Genesis 6:9 (ESV) — These are the generations of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his generation. Noah walked with God.

→ Sodom & Gomorrah

Genesis 18-19...

3. A DEFILEMENT of God's ORDER

2 Peter 2:4–10 (ESV) — For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but cast them into hell and committed them to chains of gloomy darkness to be kept until the judgment; if he did not spare the ancient world, but preserved Noah, a herald of righteousness, with seven others, when he brought a flood upon the world of the ungodly; if by turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah to ashes he condemned them to extinction, making them an example of what is going to happen to the ungodly; and if he rescued righteous Lot, greatly distressed by the sensual conduct of the wicked (for as that righteous man lived among them day after day, he was tormenting his righteous soul over their lawless deeds that he saw and heard); then the Lord knows how to rescue the godly from trials, and to keep the unrighteous under punishment until the day of judgment, and especially those who indulge in the lust of defiling passion and despise authority. Bold and willful, they do not tremble as they blaspheme the glorious ones,

2 Peter 2:6 (ESV) — if by turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah to ashes he condemned them to extinction, making them an example of what is going to happen to the ungodly

→ Balaam's Greed

Numbers 22-24

2 Peter 2:15 (ESV) — Forsaking the right way, they have gone astray. They have followed the way of Balaam, the son of Beor, who loved gain from wrongdoing,

the sow, after washing herself, returns to wallow in the mire.”

4. A DESTRUCTION through God’s JUDGMENT

Each of those mentioned by Peter experienced judgment along with those who followed after them...

The Flood

The Fire from heaven

The Plague

Numbers 25:9 (ESV) — Nevertheless, those who died by the plague were twenty-four thousand.

2 Peter 2:17–19 (ESV) — These are waterless springs and mists driven by a storm. For them the gloom of utter darkness has been reserved. For, speaking loud boasts of folly, they entice by sensual passions of the flesh those who are barely escaping from those who live in error. They promise them freedom, but they themselves are slaves of corruption. For whatever overcomes a person, to that he is enslaved.

2 Peter 2:22 (ESV) — What the true proverb says has happened to them: “The dog returns to its own vomit, and

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A GRACE without HOLINESS

A GOSPEL without the SPIRIT

An AUTHORITY without RESPONSIBILITY

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