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II Peter 2:10-22

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I. False teachers are extremely prideful

2 Peter 2:10-11 Bold, arrogant people! They are not afraid to slander the glorious ones; ¹¹ however, angels, who are greater in might and power, do not bring a slanderous charge against them before the Lord. [\[a\]](#)

A. False teachers have an overinflated view of themselves

II Cor 10:3-5 For although we live in the flesh, we do not wage war according to the flesh, ⁴ since the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but are powerful through God for the demolition of strongholds. We demolish arguments ⁵ and every proud thing that is raised up against the knowledge of God, and we take every thought captive to obey Christ.

Dan 10:13 But the prince of the kingdom of Persia opposed me for twenty-one days. Then Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me after I had been left there with the kings of Persia.

Acts 19:13-16 Now some of the itinerant Jewish exorcists also attempted to pronounce the name of the Lord Jesus over those who had evil spirits, saying, "I command you by the Jesus that Paul preaches!" ¹⁴ Seven sons of Sceva, a Jewish high priest, were doing this. ¹⁵ The evil spirit answered them, "I know Jesus, and I recognize Paul—but who are you?" ¹⁶ Then the man who had the evil spirit

jumped on them, overpowered them all, and prevailed against them, so that they ran out of that house naked and wounded.

Jude 1:9 Yet when Michael the archangel was disputing with the devil in an argument about Moses's body, he did not dare utter a slanderous condemnation against him but said, "The Lord rebuke you!"

Psa 8:5 You made him little less than God^{[a][b]}
and crowned him with glory and honor.

II. False teachers are irrational

2 Peter 2:12-13 But these people, like irrational animals—creatures of instinct born to be caught and destroyed—slander what they do not understand, and in their destruction they too will be destroyed. ¹³ They will be paid back with harm for the harm they have done.

III. False teachers will be destroyed

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Gal 6:7 Don't be deceived: God is not mocked. For whatever a person sows he will also reap,

Rev 20:11-15

2 Peter 2:11-14 Then I saw a great white throne and one seated on it. Earth and heaven fled from his presence, and no place was found for them. ¹² I also saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life, and the dead were judged according to their works by what was written in the books. ¹³ Then the sea gave up the dead that were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead that were in them; each one was judged according to their works. ¹⁴ Death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire. ¹⁵ And anyone whose name was not found written in the book of life was thrown into the lake of fire.

IV. False teachers are bold in regard to their sinful lifestyle

2 Peter 2:13b They consider it a pleasure to carouse in broad daylight. They are spots and blemishes, delighting in their deceptions^[b] while they feast with you.

I Cor 11:20-22 When you come together, then, it is not to eat the Lord's Supper. ²¹ For at the meal, each one eats his own supper.^[a] So one person is hungry while another gets drunk! ²² Don't you have homes in which to eat and drink? Or do you despise the church of God and humiliate those who have nothing? What should I say to you? Should I praise you? I do not praise you in this matter!

I Cor 16:13 ¹³ Be alert, stand firm in the faith, be courageous,^[a] be strong.

II John 1:9-11 Anyone who does not remain in Christ's teaching but goes beyond it does not have God. The one who remains in that teaching, this one has both the Father and the Son. ¹⁰ If anyone comes to you and does not bring this teaching, do not receive him into your home, and do not greet him; ¹¹ for the one who greets him shares in his evil works.

V. False teachers crave a sinful lifestyle

2 Peter 2:14-16 They have eyes full of adultery that never stop looking for sin. They seduce unstable people and have hearts trained in greed. Children under a curse! ¹⁵ They have gone astray by abandoning the straight path and have followed the path of Balaam, the son of Bosor,^[c] who loved the wages of wickedness ¹⁶ but received a rebuke for his lawlessness: A speechless donkey spoke with a human voice and restrained the prophet's madness.

James 1:6 But let him ask in faith without doubting.^[a] For the doubter is like the surging sea, driven and tossed by the wind.

The story of Balaam

VI. False teachers offer false hope

2 Peter 2:17-19 These people are springs without water, mists driven by a storm. The gloom of darkness has been reserved for them. ¹⁸ For by uttering boastful,

empty words, they seduce, with fleshly desires and debauchery, people who have barely escaped^[d] from those who live in error. ¹⁹ They promise them freedom, but they themselves are slaves of corruption, since people are enslaved to whatever defeats them.

VII. False teachers have made a choice to not follow Jesus.

2 Peter 2:20-22 For if, having escaped the world's impurity through the knowledge of the Lord^[e] and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled in these things and defeated, the last state is worse for them than the first. ²¹ For it would have been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness than, after knowing it, to turn back from the holy command delivered to them. ²² It has happened to them according to the true proverb: **A dog returns to its own vomit,**^[f] and, "A washed sow returns to wallowing in the mud."

Matt 10:14-15 If anyone does not welcome you or listen to your words, shake the dust off your feet when you leave that house or town. ¹⁵ Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable on the day of judgment for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah than for that town.

Heb 6:4-6 For it is impossible to renew to repentance those who were once enlightened, who tasted the heavenly gift, who shared in the Holy Spirit, ⁵ who tasted God's good word and the powers of the coming age, ⁶ and who have fallen away. This is because,^[a] to their own harm, they are recrucifying the Son of God and holding him up to contempt.

Heb 10:26-30 For if we deliberately go on sinning after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, ²⁷ but a terrifying expectation of judgment and the fury of a fire about to consume the adversaries. ²⁸ Anyone who disregarded the law of Moses died without mercy, based on the testimony of two or three witnesses. ²⁹ How much worse punishment do you think one will deserve who has trampled on the Son of God, who has regarded as profane^[a] the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and who has insulted the Spirit of grace? ³⁰ For we know the one who has said,