



## TEXT SUMMARY

In this week’s text, [2 Peter 2:10b-22](#), Peter concludes his examination of the sordid character and dangerous messaging of the false teachers who plagued the early church.

## INTRODUCTION (OBSERVATION):

1. It is not just the teaching of the false teachers that makes them dangerous to the fellowship. Peter uses a variety of **adjectives** to describe the **character** of the false teachers. What are some of those adjectives?
2. Peter speaks of several of the **actions** of the false teachers. What are some of those actions?
3. Peter uses a variety of **figures of speech** (similes: “like,” and metaphors: direct comparisons). What are some of those figures of speech?
4. How does Peter **contrast** the false teachers with the angels?
5. Peter compares the false teachers to **Balaam** (see Num 22). Who was Balaam, and how are the false teachers like him?
6. How does the **proverb** at the end of the chapter portray the false teachers?

## DISCUSSION (INTERPRETATION):

1. The false teachers can always gather a **following**. What makes their toxic message so attractive?
2. Peter calls them “**bold and willful**” (v. 10). What does that bold willfulness look like to their followers?
3. What does Peter mean when he calls the false teachers “**waterless springs and mists driven by storms**” (v. 17)?

