



**HERETICS**

# BIBLICAL DEFINITION

3. **that which is chosen**, a chosen course of thought and action; hence one's **chosen opinion, tenet**; according to the context, an opinion varying from the true exposition of the Christian faith (**heresy**): [2 Peter 2:1](#) (cf. DeWette at the passage), and in ecclesiastical writings [cf. *Sophocles'* Lexicon, under the word].

4. a body of men separating themselves from others and following their own tenets (**a sect or party**): as the Sadducees, [Acts 5:17](#); the Pharisees, [Acts 15:5](#); [Acts 26:5](#); the Christians, [Acts 24:5, 14](#) (in both instances with a suggestion of reproach); [Acts 28:22](#) (in Diogenes Laërtius 1 (13) 18f, others, used of the schools of philosophy).

5. **dissensions** arising from diversity of opinions and aims: [Galatians 5:20](#); [1 Corinthians 11:19](#). [Cf. Meyer, at the passages cited; B. D. American edition under the word Sects; *Burton*, Bampton Lect. for 1829; *Campbell*, Diss. on the Gospels, diss. ix., part iv.]

# ERR FROM THE TRUTH

b. metaphorically, to lead away from the truth, **to lead into error, to deceive:**  
**τινα**, Matthew 24:4, 5, 11, 24; Mark 13:5, 6; John 7:12; 1 John 2:26; 1 John 3:7;  
2 Timothy 3:13a; Revelation 2:20 G L T Tr WH; Revelation 12:9; 13:14; 19:20;  
20:3,8,10; **ἑαυτόν**, 1 John 1:8; passive, **to be led into error (R. V. be led astray):**  
Luke 21:8; John 7:47; Revelation 2:20 Rec.; **to err**, Matthew 22:29; Mark 12:24, 27;  
**μή πλανᾷσθε**, 1 Corinthians 11:9; 1 Corinthians 15:33; Galatians 6:7;  
James 1:16; especially through ignorance **to be led aside from the path of virtue,**  
**to go astray, sin:** Titus 3:3; Hebrews 5:2; **τῇ καρδίᾳ**, Hebrews 3:10; **ἀπό τῆς**  
**ἀληθείας**, James 5:19; **to wander or fall away from the true faith**, of heretics,  
2 Timothy 3:13b; 2 Peter 2:15; **to be led away into error and sin**, Revelation 18:23.  
(Compare: **ἀποπλανᾶω**.)

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**19 Brethren, if any of you do err from the truth, and one convert him;  
James 5:19 KJV**

## WHAT IS THE TRUTH?

3 And hereby we do know that we know him, ***if we keep his commandments.***

4 He that saith, I know him, ***and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.***

5 But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him.

**1 John 2:3-5 KJV**

17 Sanctify them through thy truth: ***thy word is truth.***

**John 17:17 KJV**

# WHAT MUST WE BELIEVE

## Repentance

3 I tell you, Nay: but, ***except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.***

**Luke 13:3 KJV**

## Obey His Commands

21 He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.

**John 14:21 KJV**

23 Jesus answered and said unto him, ***If a man love me, he will keep my words:*** and my Father will love him, and ***we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.***

24 ***He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings:*** and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.

**John 14:23-24 KJV**

## Believe In God the Father & Son of God

23 That all men should honour the Son, even as they honour the Father. He that honoureth not the Son honoureth not the Father which hath sent him.

**John 5:23 KJV**

35 Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when he had found him, he said unto him, **Dost thou believe on the Son of God?**

36 He answered and said, Who is he, Lord, that I might believe on him?

37 **And Jesus said unto him, Thou hast both seen him, and it is he that talketh with thee.**

38 And he said, ***Lord, I believe. And he worshipped him.***

**John 9:35-38 KJV**

# BIBLICAL HERESY

01 Denying the Son of God

02 Teaching No Repentance

03 Teaching against the  
commands of Jesus

04 Denying the Holy Spirit

05 Teaching Faith Alone

06 Teaching we can live in  
Intentional Sin

07 Commands of men that are  
devisive

08 Teaching against godliness

## DENYING THE SON OF GOD

7 For many deceivers are entered into the world, ***who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist.***

8 Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward.

9 Whosoever transgresseth, and **abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God.** He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath **both** the ***Father and the Son.***

10 ***If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed:***

11 For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds.

**2 John 1:7-10 KJV**

# ETERNAL LIFE IN THE SON OF GOD

31 But these are written, **that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God**; and that **believing ye might have life** through his name.

**John 20:31 KJV**

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27 For *the Father himself loveth you*, **because** ye have loved me, **and have believed that I came out from God.**

28 I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again, I leave the world, and go to the Father.

**John 16:27-28 KJV**



## ETERNAL LIFE IN THE SON OF GOD

10 He that **believeth on the Son of God** hath the witness in himself: **he that believeth not God hath made him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son.**

11 And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.

12 **He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.**

13 These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.

**1 John 5:10-13 KJV**

# FALSE ACCUSERS 1

This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.

2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,

3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, **false accusers**, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,

4 Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;

5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

**2 Timothy 3:1-5 KJV**

# FALSE ACCUSERS 2

KJV Translation Count — Total: 38x

The KJV translates Strong's G1228 in the following manner: devil (35x), false accuser (2x), slanderer (1x).

## Outline of Biblical Usage [?]

*I.* prone to slander, slanderous, accusing falsely

*A.* a calumniator, false accuser, slanderer,

*II.* metaph. applied to a man who, by opposing the cause of God, may be said to act the part of the devil or to side with him

## Strong's Definitions [?]

(Strong's Definitions Legend)

διάβολος **diábolos**, dee-ab'-ol-os; from G1225; a traducer; specially, Satan (compare H7854):—false accuser, devil, slanderer.

## FALSE ACCUSERS 3

22 But I say unto you, That whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, *Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire.*

**Matthew 5:22 KJV**

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22 But I say to you that everyone who continues to be angry with his brother or harbors malice (enmity of heart) against him shall be liable to and unable to escape the punishment imposed by the court; and **whoever speaks contemptuously and insultingly** to his brother shall be liable to and unable to escape the punishment imposed by the Sanhedrin, and whoever says, ***You cursed fool! [You empty-headed idiot!] shall be liable to and unable to escape the hell (Gehenna) of fire.***

**Matthew 12:36-37 AMPC**

# FALSE ACCUSERS 4

10 Nor cheats (swindlers and thieves), nor greedy graspers, nor drunkards, nor foulmouthed revilers and slanderers, nor extortioners and robbers will inherit or have any share in the kingdom of God.

**1 Corinthians 6:10 AMPC**

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36 But I tell you, on the day of judgment ***men will have to give account for every idle (inoperative, nonworking) word they speak.***

37 For **by your words you will be justified** and acquitted, and **by your words you will be condemned** and sentenced.

**Matthew 12:36-37 AMPC**

## FALSE ACCUSERS 5

8 But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, **and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire** and brimstone: which is the second death.

**Revelation 21:8 KJV**

# QUICK TO LISTEN SLOW TO SPEAK

19 Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, ***slow to speak***, slow to wrath:

**James 1:19 KJV**

2 **Be not rash with thy mouth**, and let not thine heart be hasty to utter any thing before God: for God is in heaven, and thou upon earth: **therefore let thy words be few.**

**Ecclesiastes 5:2 KJV**