

Beware the False Teachers

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21 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.

1 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. 2 And many will follow their sensuality, and because of them the way of truth will be blasphemed. 3 And in their greed they will exploit you with false words. Their condemnation from long ago is not idle, and their destruction is not asleep.

2 Peter 1:21-2:3

4 They will say, "Where is the promise of his coming? For ever since the fathers fell asleep, all things are continuing as they were from the beginning of creation."

2 Peter 3:4

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* False Teaching Undermines Your Life

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I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord;

Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit; Born of the Virgin Mary;

Suffered under Pontius Pilate; Was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into Hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven;

And sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

From there He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; The Holy catholic church, the Communion of Saints;

The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting.

Amen.

* False Teaching Lessens Jesus' Lordship

... even denying the Master who bought them, bringing upon themselves swift destruction. 2 Peter 2:1

19 Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, 20 for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body. 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

*False Teaching Opens the Door for Sinful Desires

2 And many will follow their sensuality, and because of them the way of truth will be blasphemed. 2 Peter 2:2

*False Teaching Leads to God's Judgment

3 And in their greed they will exploit you with false words. Their condemnation from long ago is not idle, and their destruction is not asleep. 2 Peter 2:3

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“This God is not demanding. He actually can't be, since his job is to solve our problems and make people feel good. In short, God is something like a combination Divine Butler and Cosmic Therapist—he is always on call, takes care of any problems that arise, professionally helps his people to feel better about themselves, and does not become too personally involved in the process.”
Christian Smith, *Soul Searching and Spiritual Lives of American Teenagers*

- 1) Read the Bible
- 2) Gather together in community - the church