

# Protecting from False Teachers

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## *Lecture Outline* *Part 1 of 4*

### Introduction

- I. Looking at the Ten Descriptions of False Prophets from 2 Peter 2
- II. False Prophets Come from w\_\_\_\_\_ the Ranks of Christians
  - A. “There will be false teaching.”
  - B. False teaching will be part of the \_\_\_\_\_.
- III. False Prophets Secretly Bring in D\_\_\_\_\_ Heresies
  - A. They are \_\_\_\_\_, secret.
  - B. Secret heresies
  - C. “Destructive heresies”
  - D. Application: It’s not wrong to call destructive heresy “destructive heresy.”
- IV. False Prophets D\_\_\_\_\_ the Master Who Bought Them
  - A. This doesn’t mean that Christ died for \_\_\_\_\_.
  - B. What Peter is saying is that their lives reject their Master that they profess to know.
  - C. Such a life is another \_\_\_\_\_ of a false teacher and false teaching:
  - D. The tell-tale signs of an imposter

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### V. False Prophets Are Popular

- A. We are told that in the end times there will be a surge of false prophets.
- B. There are *many*.
- C. This speaks to their popularity.
- D. An example of destructive heresy
- E. There is a connection between unity and popularity.

### VI. False Prophets Are Sensual

- A. “And especially those who indulge in the lust of defiling passion.”
- B. This word refers to habitual sexuality immorality and conduct.
- C. This is what happens when you reject the Lordship of Christ. Your passions are unrestrained.
- D. False teachers downplay sexual sins.
- E. Someone might say, but does that mean we are to rail against the sinners, preach against the sexually immoral, and condemn the homosexuals?

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### VII. False Prophets Bring R\_\_\_\_\_ on the N\_\_\_\_\_ of Christ and the Church

- A. This is Satan's ploy.
- B. It's a double-whammy.

### VIII. False Prophets are G\_\_\_\_\_

- A. \_\_\_\_\_ is another distinguishing mark of their pseudo-ministries.
- B. You will know them by the love of money.

### IX. False Prophets E\_\_\_\_\_ the Weak

- A. A Trinity Broadcasting Network disclaimer
- B. These false ministries are marked by exploiting people, especially the \_\_\_\_\_ of the poor.
- C. Let me just tell you that there is nothing of Christ in that!
- D. John Piper spoke to this.
- E. The \_\_\_\_\_ gospel appeals to people's base nature.

### X. False Prophets Despise Authority

- A. False teachers can't live under \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Another way they despise authority is by nepotism.
- C. They create sub-cultures of naivety.
- D. A great example of this is D\_\_\_\_\_ in 3 John 9–10.
- E. Contrast the false teachers, who despise authority, with Jesus' words (Mark 10:42–45).

### XI. False Prophets Will Be P\_\_\_\_\_ by God.

- A. In verse 3, Peter personifies their punishment as an executioner, ready and waiting and not sleeping, ready to destroy those who distort and misrepresent God's Word.
- B. Peter's reasoning goes like this - If x is true, then how much more is y true?
- C. God has made a spectacle of false teaching, and he will do it again.

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#### XII. Application: Under-Shepherds Have a Divine Mandate to Guard the Flock from Wolves

A. This section has three major points: False teachers will be p\_\_\_\_\_. False teachers are a\_\_\_\_\_ and bold, and false teachers frustrate and m\_\_\_\_\_ people.

B. Protecting is the *negative* aspect of eldership and proper shepherding.

C. This is a qualification for a shepherd-elder.

*"He must hold firm to the trustworthy word as taught, so that he may be able to give instruction in sound doctrine and also to rebuke those who contradict it." (Titus 1:9)*

D. The summary of exhortations on protecting the flock

1. Be a\_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 20:28; 31).
2. Don't be n\_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 20:29–30).
3. A\_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 20:27; 31).

#### XIII. What is True of the Under-Shepherds of Flock, is Also True of the Shepherds in the Home

A. Parents, particularly fathers, you have a responsibility to p\_\_\_\_\_ your family from wolves.

B. The parents have a protecting ministry, just like the church does.

C. Specific application for protecting your family:

1. Examine your family.
2. Offer good literature to your kids.
3. Teach and model the Bible to your home.