

Remember!

REFLECTIONS ON 2 PETER

Resist False Teaching Message 3

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3. Rely on God's _____.
(2 Peter 2:7-9. C/R: Genesis 19; Romans 3:24;
Ephesians 2:4-5,8-9; Titus 3:4-7)

► Outline

... *there will be false teachers among you.*

2 Peter 2:1 (NLT)

How to Resist False Teaching: (2 Peter 2:1-11. C/R: Jude 4-10)

1. Recognize false _____.
(2 Peter 2:1-3. C/R: Matthew 7:15-17; Titus 1:16;
1 John 2:22-23; Jude 4)

4. Respect spiritual _____.
(2 Peter 2:10-11. C/R: Psalm 14:1-2; Proverbs 1:28-29;
1 Corinthians 6:19-20; Romans 3:18; Jude 8-10)

2. Reflect on God's _____.
(2 Peter 2:4-6. C/R: Genesis 6; 7; 19; 2 Corinthians 5:10;
Hebrews 9:27-28; 1 Peter 4:17; Jude 5-7)

Answers: 1. teachers 2. judgement 3. grace 4. authority

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► Discussion Guide

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Conversation Starter

Who was one of your favorite teachers growing up?

Begin your study with prayer

Pause for a few minutes to quiet your heart and mind. Then ask God for insight and direction as you study and reflect on this week's lesson.

Bible Study and Group Discussion

Read 2 Peter 2:1-11.

1. Even as there were holy men of God who spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit (2 Peter 1:21), there were also false prophets and false teachers then and today. According to Peter, what are the telltale marks of false teachers?
2. Who are modern-day examples of false teachers who match these characteristics?
3. When have you, or someone you know, been deceived or misled by someone who appeared to be a sincere Christian? Why wasn't the person's deception obvious at first? What was the outcome?
4. Peter reminds us that God knows how to take care of both the righteous and the ungodly. As we entrust ourselves and others into God's hands, what role do we have in dealing with false teaching?
5. How does this passage challenge your view of God?
6. Peter describes the impulses and desires that control false teachers. Do you find any of these characteristics in yourself?
7. Describe a time in your life when God replaced a false belief with truth. What impact did this have on your relationship with God and others?

8. Why is it important to know how God dealt with unrighteous people and angels in the past?
9. What are ways you can respond to false teachers without becoming self-righteous?
10. How does Peter contrast false teachers with angels? What point is he trying to make?
11. What message does this passage have for the church today? Try to summarize it in a sentence or two.

Spiritual Practice

A spiritual practice is training for the soul. By building these into your everyday life, you're sure to strengthen your relationship with God.

Use this week's lesson to guide you in a time of prayer. Ask God for wisdom to discern false teachers from true messengers of the gospel. Ask Him to protect you from being led astray and for the church to be rooted in truth.

Memory Verse

Yet God, with undeserved kindness, declares that we are righteous. He did this through Christ Jesus when He freed us from the penalty of our sins.

Romans 3:24 (NLT)

Daily Reading

Day 1: Matthew 7:15-17

Day 4: Titus 3:4-7

Day 2: Jude 5-7

Day 5: Psalm 14:1-2

Day 3: Hebrews 9:27-28

Prepare for Next Sunday

Next Sunday, May 22, we'll continue our series *Remember!* To prepare, read **2 Peter 2:12-22**.



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