False Teachers and Their Sinful Life: Part 2

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Introduction

Last week's review and update- story thus far...

- •The Lord knows how to rescue the godly from trials (2 Peter 2:9)
- God hold the unrighteous for punishment on the day of judgment. This is especially true of those who follow the corrupt desire of the flesh and despise authority. Bold and arrogant, they are not afraid to heap abuse on celestial beings (2 Peter 2:10)

False Teachers and their sinful Life



Foundation of life of false teachers:

- •They live **Natural** life (Flesh, evil, sinful), but godly people live **Spirit** filled life (Rom 8: 8-9)
- •Non-believers- those that are unsaved (2 Peter 2: 9-10)
- •Sinful Nature Corrupt Desires of the flesh (Eph 2:1-10)
- •Natural/sinful lifestyle is powered by Satan, but the Spirit filled lifestyle (believer) is powered by the Holy Spirit (Romans 8)
- •Jesus had warned us (Matt. 7:15-20) we will recognize them by their fruit

Desires of the sinner vs Spirit-filled life

- ▶ Desires of the flesh/natural /sinful person's life (Gal 5: 19-21):
 - ▶ 19 "The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; 20 idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions 21 and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God."

Spirit Filled Life

- Desires of the Spirit Filled person's Life (Gal 5: 22-24):
 - ▶ 22 "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. 24. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires."

Desires of the Flesh

False Teachers live by corrupt desires of the flesh (2 Peter 2:10). Basis and source of their behavior

- is powered by Satan. They are his seed
 - Satan Despised Authority (Isa 14: 12-15)
 He is proud and arrogant
 He is father of lies (John 8:44)

 - He is Greedy (Isa 14:12-15)
 Man without understanding
 - is like a beast (Ps 49:20)



False Teachers Behavior Patterns:

Despise Authority, Lust/Immoral Behavior, Greedy, Fake Life-Lies

Despise authority (2 Peter 2:10):

- •Bold and arrogant, heap abuse on celestial beings.
- •Dishonor authority (Roman 13:1, Parents and Employers Eph 6:1-8), In Church honor leadership (Heb 13:7, 1 Tim 2:1-8)
- •Evil opinions/evil practice
- •Product of flesh- (Rom 8:8-9)
- •Even Angels do not do this (v11), (Jude 8-9, Titus 3:1-2)

Blaspheme matters they do not understand (v12):

- •Behave like unreasoning animals (12)under power of sin, bruit creatures of instinct. (Ps 32:9, 2 Peter 2:22)
- Pleasure-Carouse in broad day light (13), physical appetite, corruption
- •Cursed (John 8:44)
- •Adulterous, seduce (14), while feed with us- Love Feast (Communion). Target: unstable people

False Teachers Behaviors, Cont'd

Greed

- Bondage to pleasure and money, sensual, lustful, exploit (Mt 7:6)- attend worship only to fulfill their lust desires, and capture people -Lascivious, money (1 Tim 6:10)
- They are spots/blemishes (Eph 5:27),
- They twist Scriptures (2 Peter 3:16), teach doctrines contrary to Word of God
 - (Heresy:Gnosticismknowledge).



Life Lessons (2 Pet 2:15-16) from Balaam

- Greedy
 - He left the straight way of life
- prophet, greedy, wicked, rebuked by an animal
 - (in a human voice-a Donkeyv15-16)
- He did damage to Israelites
- Got killed in the end
- These false teachers are the same way
- These are Fake/hypocrite lifestyle

False Teachers Life: Fake life/Hypocrite (V 17-19)

- Springs without water
- Mist driven by storm- Blackest Darkness reserved for them
- Boastful- Empty words
- Appeal to lustful desires of flesh- entice unstable people, who have just escaped from those who live in error (Eph 2:1-5)
- •Use bait to recruit people: Liberty, fulfilment (Rom 6, 2 Peter 2:19) lure Unstable people

Because their nature was not changed (Eph 2:1-10)-They are in worse shape now – end is worse than beginning (2 peter 2: 20-22). They are like dog and sow.



False Teachers vs Believers: Future

Ungodly/False/Sinful Teachers

- •They are condemned (2Pet 2: 3,9,12, 13, 17) will be punished on the day of judgment (Mt 25:41, 16:26)
- •Believers will be Protected by God (2Pet 2:9, 2Pet 1: 3, 11)
- •Wrath is reserved for sinners (1Thes 5:9), But we were not created for wrath.



Believers

- have inheritance in the Lord (1Peter 1:4)
- -Not for wrath (1Thes 5:9)
- -Jesus is preparing home (John 14:1-6)
- -Jesus prayed and petitioned (John 17:15, 17)
- -Jesus Delivers (2 Peter 2:9)

Conclusion

- Know the person of the Word (Jesus) and Word of God.
- We have everything given to us by knowing the Lord. We Need to Grow in His Grace & Knowledge
- We need to be alert about fake/ false teachers and their behaviors
- We need to live a holy life
- Believers are to:
- Have faith in the Savior (2 Peter 1: 3-7) and grow.
- Trust the Word (Heb 4:12), use the Word (Eph 6:17)
- Be transformed (Rom 12:1-2)
- Jesus the Truth for us (John 8:32)