



Introduction

Chapter 2 of 2 Peter focuses on false teachers. Verses 1-10a explain the characteristics of false teachers and the condemnation of false teachers. Verses 10b-22 go into greater detail about their depravity, deceptions, and destruction, which serve as poignant warnings for believers.

2 Peter 2:10-22

1. The Depravity of False Teachers (10b-16)

What 3 sins does Peter attribute to the false teachers?

- arrogance (10b-13a)

- lust (13b-14a)

What makes someone an “unsteady soul”? How do we protect ourselves from being an “unsteady soul”?

- greed (14b-16)

Why is it “madness” to choose sin over godliness?

2. The Deceptions of False Teachers (17-19)

- loud boasts of folly (17-18)

- empty promises of freedom (19)

Why is “freedom” enticing? How does Peter help us see through the deception?

3. The Destruction of False Teachers (20-22)

- turning away and entangled (20)

- the hardening of the heart (21-22)



Who is this a warning to?

Application Discussion

How can we cultivate a humble attitude that rightly fears God's authority?

How can we train ourselves to be experts in sacrifice, instead of greed?

How can we protect ourselves from being enslaved to corruption?

How should the warning in v20 and 21 be heeded?