

The enemy within

2 Peter 2:1-10

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Sunday 3rd November 2024



1. The profile of a false teacher (v1-3)

- Their inevitability

2 Peter 2v1

But there were also false prophets among the people, just as there will be false teachers among you.

Matthew 7v15

Watch out for false prophets. They come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ferocious wolves.

1. The profile of a false teacher (v1-3)

- Their inevitability
- Their beliefs

2 Peter 2v1

They will secretly introduce destructive heresies,
even denying the sovereign Lord who bought them

2 Peter 3v3-4

³ Above all, you must understand that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires. ⁴ They will say, “Where is this ‘coming’ he promised? Ever since our ancestors died, everything goes on as it has since the beginning of creation.”

1. The profile of a false teacher (v1-3)

- Their inevitability
- Their beliefs
- Their popularity
- Their impact
- Their motives

2 Peter 2v3

In their greed these teachers will exploit you...

2. The response to false teaching (v4-9)

- False teaching will be judged

2 Peter 2v9

if this is so, then the Lord knows how to rescue the godly from trials and to hold the unrighteous for punishment on the day of judgment.

2. The response to false teaching (v4-9)

- False teaching will be judged
- God's people will be protected

2 Peter 2v9

the Lord knows how to rescue the godly from trials

2 Peter 3v9

The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead, he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.