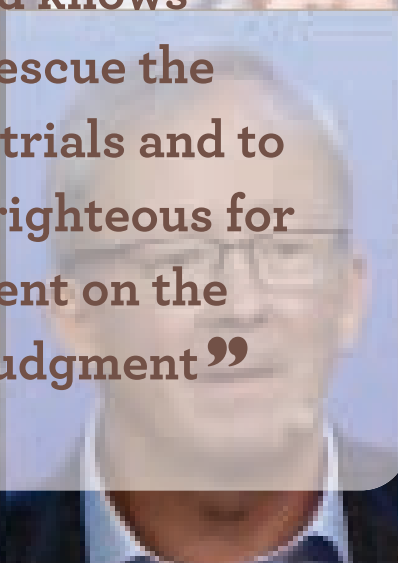
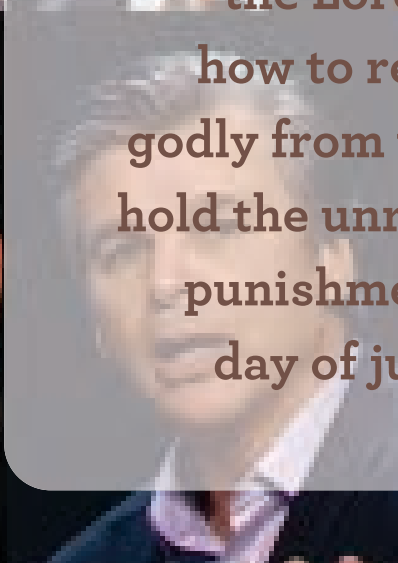


Study 4
FALSE TEACHERS

2 Peter 2:1-22

“ the Lord knows
how to rescue the
godly from trials and to
hold the unrighteous for
punishment on the
day of judgment ”





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Starter

1. Can you name any false teachers? What factors make you conclude that they are?



Read verses 1-3

2. Where are the false teachers to be found?

3. What all do we learn about the false teachers?

- teaching
- motives
- methods
- conduct
- results

4. Why will so many follow? Namely, what is it about the false teaching that proves so popular and appealing? (Skim through the rest of the chapter)



Read verses 4-9

5. What examples does Peter use? And why? (i.e. What point/s is he making?)



Read verses 10-16

6. What all do we learn about the false teachers?

- conduct
- motives
- results

7. What is the significance of the example of Balaam? (c.f. his story is found in Numbers 25)



Read verses 17-22

8. What is the effect of the false teachers on other people in verses 17-22?



Apply

(Answer all these questions personally, but as a group choose one or two to focus on.)

9. Are you more prone to be a trusting person who has a hard time believing that the world is filled with false-teachers, or more prone to be a suspicious person who can too quickly rush to judge a Bible teacher for an error?

10. Reflect on the reasons Peter gives that explain why false teachers are so powerful, popular, and persuasive? What is surprising and/or unsettling? And how should this help us to be alert to danger?

11. What is the difference between an imperfect Christian leader (like Peter) and a counterfeit Christian leader (like Judas)?

12. What information sources (e.g. preachers, politicians, media, teachers, social media, etc.) are not beneficial or helpful and therefore need to be reduced or removed from your life?



Prayer Notes