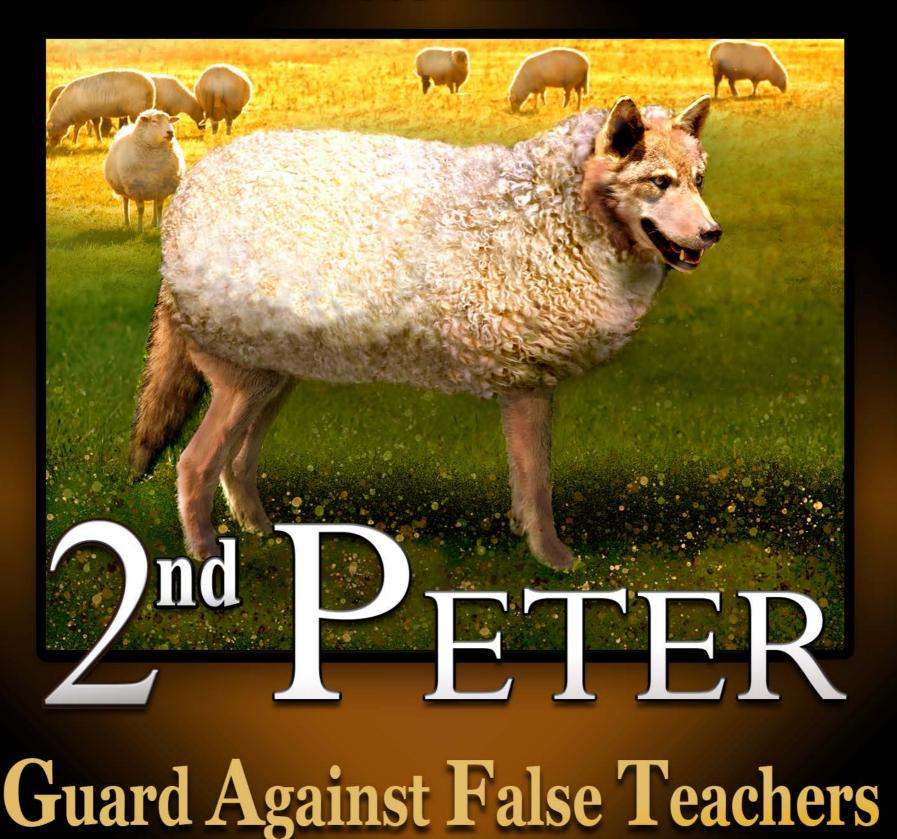
2 Peter Series
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Plastic Words Are Destructive 2 Peter 2:1–3



2 Peter Outline

- Salutation, 2 Peter 1:1–2
- 1A God's Will is for us to Grow to Spiritual Maturity, 1:3–21
- 2A God Warns us About False Teachers, 2:1–22
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Conclusion: God mandates us to grow spiritually, in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Pet. 3:18.

- 2A God Warns us About False Teachers, 2 Peter 2:1–22
 - 1B The certainty of false teachers and their destructive heresies, 2:1a
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Jude 3, "Beloved, while I was very diligent to write to you concerning our common salvation, I found it necessary to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints.

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- 2 Pet. 1:20, "knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation,
- 2 Pet. 1:21, "for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit."

Isa. 56:11, "Yes, they are greedy dogs which never have enough. And they are shepherds who cannot understand; They all look to their own way, every one for his own gain, from his own territory."

Jer. 6:13, "Because from the least of them even to the greatest of them, everyone is given to covetousness; And from the prophet even to the priest, everyone deals falsely."

Jer. 8:10, "Therefore I will give their wives to others, and their fields to those who will inherit them; Because from the least even to the greatest everyone is given to covetousness; From the prophet even to the priest everyone deals falsely."

Jer. 23:12, "Therefore their way shall be to them like slippery ways; In the darkness they shall be driven on and fall in them; For I will bring disaster on them, the year of their punishment,' says the LORD.

Jer. 23:13, "'And I have seen folly in the prophets of Samaria: They prophesied by Baal and caused My people Israel to err.

Jer. 23:14, "'Also I have seen a horrible thing in the prophets of Jerusalem: They commit adultery and walk in lies; They also strengthen the hands of evildoers, so that no one turns back from his wickedness.'"

Jer. 23:21, "I have not sent these prophets, yet they ran. I have not spoken to them, yet they prophesied.

Jer. 23:22, "But if they had stood in My counsel, and had caused My people to hear My words, then they would have turned them from their evil way and from the evil of their doings."

Matt. 7:15, "Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravenous wolves."

Matt. 24:11, "Then many false prophets will rise up and deceive many."

Matt. 24:24, "For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect."

1 John 4:1, "Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits, whether they are of God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world."

1. There are no false prophets in the Church Age. There were at the beginning, but no more. The focus at the beginning was establishing the new Church and providing the Scriptures.

- 2. The New Testament gift of prophecy was to be temporary.
 - 1 Cor. 13:8, "Love never fails. But whether there are prophecies, they will fail; whether there are tongues, they will cease; whether there is knowledge, it will vanish away.
 - 1 Cor. 13:9, "For we know in part and we prophesy in part.
 - 1 Cor. 13:10, "But when that which is perfect has come, then that which is in part will be done away"

3. Prophecy is always listed second to apostles, when apostles are also listed.

1 Cor. 12:29, "Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Are all workers of miracles?" Eph. 3:5, "which in other ages was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to His holy apostles and prophets:" Eph. 4:11, "And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers,"

Eph. 2:20, "having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone,"

4. Once the canon of Scripture, the 27 books of the New Testament were completed, then these revelatory gifts ceased.

Heb. 1:1, "God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, Heb. 1:2, "has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds;"

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εἰμί eimi 3 plur <u>future</u> indic to be, exist

- 1. "They will secretly introduce destructive heresies,"
- 2. They will deny "the sovereign Lord who bought them,"
- 3. Their destruction will come quickly.

- 4. Many will follow their licentious ways,
- 5. They will bring dishonor to the way of truth, and
- 6. They will exploit the church out of greed.

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ἀγοράζω agorazo
aor act part masc
sing acc
to redeem; to
purchase out of the
slave market of sin

- 1 Tim. 2:2, "for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence.
- 1 Tim. 2:3, "For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior,
- 1 Tim. 2:4, "who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.
- 1 Tim. 2:5, "For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus,"

1 Tim. 4:10, "For to this end we both labor and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe."

2 Pet. 2:2, "And many will follow their destructive ways, because of whom the way of truth will be blasphemed."

ἀσέλγεια *aselgeia*; licentiousness, lascivious, sexual immorality

2 Pet. 2:2, "Many will follow their unrestrained ways, and the way of truth will be blasphemed because of them" ~HCSB

2 Pet. 2:2, "And many will follow their debauched lifestyles. Because of these false teachers, the way of truth will be slandered." ~NET

2 Pet. 2:3, "By covetousness they will exploit you with <u>deceptive</u> words; for a long time their judgment has not been idle, and their destruction does not slumber."

πλαστός *plastos*masc plur dat
made-up, fabricated