

I & 2 PETER – LESSON 8

VIII. WARNING OF FALSE TEACHERS (Chapter 2)

- A. The work of the false teacher (2:1-3)
 - 1. Brings in destructive heresies alongside of the truth
 - 2. Denies the master who bought them – Jesus Christ
 - 3. Obtains, through lasciviousness, many followers
 - 4. Uses deceptive speech to make merchandise of followers– they exist to satisfy his own covetous spirit.
 - 5. Arouses God’s sentencing of destruction.

- B. Power of God to destroy and deliver proven by history (2:4-9)
 - 1. Sinning angels not spared – reserved in TARTARUS for judgment
 - 2. World of ungodly destroyed by the flood in righteous Noah’s day
 - 3. Sodom and Gomorrah reduced to ashes – righteous Lot delivered.

- C. The heart and character of the false teachers exposed (2:10-16)
 - 1. Walk according to fleshly lusts – despise dominion
 - 2. Ruled by brute instincts
 - 3. Count it pleasure to engage in open unrestrained revelry
 - 4. Eyes full of adultery – entice unstedfast souls.
 - 5. Heart exercised in covetousness
 - 6. Love hire of wrong doing – like Balaam

- D. The consequences of following the false teachers (2:17-21)
 - 1. The false teachers’ promise of freedom is empty.
 - a. The blackness of darkness is reserved for them.
 - b. Teachers and their followers are bondservants of corruption.
 - 2. Apostate’s last state worse than their first
 - a. Better to not have known the truth
 - b. Like a dog turning to his own vomit again – like a washed sow wallowing in the mire.

QUESTIONS:

- 1. How does 2:1 to relate to 1:21?

- 2. How do false teachers bring in their destructive heresies?

- 3. What TWO THINGS will happen in the midst of false teaching?

