

The Second Epistle of Peter
The Depravity of False Teachers

2 Peter 2:10-17

Part 18

I. The Anatomy of the False Teachers Dissected.

1. *They live according to their sinful lusts. v.10a* Cf. Gal.5:19-21

2. *They are arrogant and self-willed. vv.10b-13*

Their certain judgment illustrated:

a. They are like brute beast destined for slaughter. v.12

b. They are like wage-earners. v.13 Cf. Rom.2:5

3. *They are unashamed of their debauchery. v.13* Cf. Prov.14:34; Isa.5:20

Their negative effect on the assembly: They are spots and blemishes.

4. *They have eyes full of adultery. v.14*

A warning to the church: They entice unstable souls.

5. *They have hearts trained in covetousness. v.14b*

A clarification for the church: They are accursed children. Cf. Eph.2:3

6. *They have gone astray because of their greed. v.15*

Their prototype: Balaam vv.15,16 Cf. Nu.22; 1 Tim.6:10; Jude 11

7. *They have no soul-satisfying gospel. v.17*

II. The Gospel Applications to be Drawn from this Dissection of False Teachers.

1. *The gospel is a call to crucify our flesh.*

Cf. Matt.5:28; Rom.8:13; 13:14; Col.3:5; Gal.5:24

2. *The gospel is a call for humility and submission.*

Cf. Matt.16:24; Rom.13:7; Eph.5:33; 6:2; Phil.2:3,4; 1 Tim.2:1,2

3. *The gospel is a call to live holy and distinct from the world.*

Cf. Rom.12:1,2; 2 Cor.6:17; Eph.5:1-7; 26,27

4. *The gospel is a call to train oneself for godliness.*

Cf. 1 Tim.4:7; Heb.14:12

5. *The gospel is a call to find soul-satisfaction in Christ.*

Cf. Psa.1; Isa.55:1; Jn.4:14