



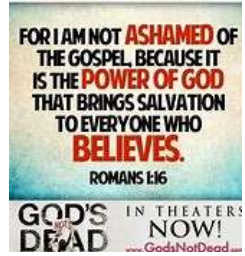
# Faith Missionary Baptist Church

## BIBLE STUDY

[Tuesday & Wednesday]

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### LESSON 3



## Watch Out For Counterfeit Teachers Pt. 1 2 Peter 2:1-10

### INTRODUCTION

The question, "What is truth?" can be asked in two ways. First, this question, "What is truth?" can be asked by someone who is sincerely searching for truth. On the other hand, the question, "What is truth?" can be raised as a smirk to scoff at truth. In other words, the question is raised out of mockery of truth. 2 Timothy 3:7 tells us that in the last days that men would be "ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth." The problem in today's world is that many have their own version of truth that has nothing to do with God.

**Illustration:** Klyne Snodgrass, in his article entitled *Between Two Truths - Living with Biblical Tensions*, said, Once the Devil was walking along with one of his cohorts. They saw a man ahead of them pick up something shiny. "What did he find?" asked the cohort. "A piece of the truth," the Devil replied. "Doesn't it bother you that he found a piece of the truth?" asked the cohort. "No," said the Devil, "I will see to it that he makes a religion out of it." What is truth? Truth is *not* simply whatever works. This is the philosophy of pragmatism – an ends-vs.-means-type approach. In reality, lies can appear to "work," but they are still lies and not the truth. Truth is *not* what the majority says is true. Fifty-one percent of a group can reach a wrong conclusion.

Philip Keller said, "Truth stands constant and unchanging because it is grounded in God's own constant, consistent character. Truth is wise as it is eternal. Truth remains the same from age to age; generation to generation, no matter how much men, cultures, or civilizations may change." Someone said, "Craft must have clothes, but truth loves to go naked. CC Colton said, "The greatest friend to truth is time."

**Point of humor:** Roger von Oech, Ph.D., in his article entitled A Whack on the Side of the Head, said, Two men had an argument. To settle the matter, they went to a Sufi judge for arbitration. The plaintiff made his case. He was very eloquent and persuasive in his reasoning. When he finished, the judge nodded in approval and said, "That's right, that's right." On hearing this, the defendant jumped up and said, "Wait a second, judge, you haven't even heard my side of the case yet." So, the judge told the defendant to state his case. And he, too, was very persuasive and eloquent. When he finished, the judge said, "That's right, that's right." When the clerk of court heard this, he jumped up and said, "Judge, they both can't be right." The judge looked at the clerk of court and said, "That's right, that's right."

### 1<sup>st</sup> Reading-2 Peter 2:1-3.....False Prophets In The Body

- A. They teach destructive doctrines
- B. They deny the Lord
- C. They will meet their doom
- D. Many will follow their immoral ways
- E. They mock the truth
- F. They teach false doctrines for monetary gains
- G. Their doom is forthcoming

2<sup>nd</sup> Tim 2:15

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading-2 Peter 2:4-7.....God's Track Record of Judgment

- A. God threw down the rebellious angels
- B. God sent the flood upon the first world.
- C. God sent judgment upon Sodom and Gomorrah
- D. God delivered just lot who was disturbed about wickedness.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Reading-2 Peter 2:8-10.....Remaining Faithful To God In A Fallen World**

- A. Lot was disturbed but not distracted.
- B. God knows how to deliver the righteous from temptation. (See 1 Corinthians 10:13)
- C. God will consign the unrighteous to judgment.
- D. Severe judgment to those follow their own evil practices, the proud, and markers of those who are good.



**Truth Or Trash:  
The False Prophet Test**

STATEMENT	TRUTH	TRASH	SCRIPTURE/EXPLANATION
“Jesus was only a prophet.”			
“You are saved by your works.”			
“The Bible <i>contains</i> the Word of God.”			
“Christians should not suffer. Jesus did all the suffering.”			
“If you give to the preacher or prophet you are guaranteed a miracle blessing.”			
“The Father, Son and Holy Ghost are three in one.”			
“Jesus will return in 2020.”			
“If you give \$1000 to this ministry you get a large check.”			
“My mission is to finish the work of Christ.”			
“Jesus is the only way of salvation.”			

**Spiritual Application: Apply This Lesson To Your Life Today**

- 1. Jesus said, “Ye shall know them by their fruits.”
- 2. Watch out for brainwashing and arm-twisting tactics by preachers and prophets.
- 3. Study the word of God so you will know the truth.
- 4. False prophets thrive on the ignorance of the people.
- 5. Watch out for so-called new revelations.
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- 7. \_\_\_\_\_

**MEMORY VERSES:** “The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished.” ----2 Peter 2:9