



“Lying” (part 3)

Text: Titus 1:2, John 8:44

INTRODUCTION: False teaching began in the Garden of Eden and has continued through the ages. The only power that we have over being taught and believing false teaching is to know the truth of God's words. When you are released from following man's teaching and simply follow God's word, then you are free in Christ. There are billions who are blindly following man's teaching, believing they are following God when in fact they are being led astray.

I. **The Characteristics of false teachers:**

1. They can come from within. Acts 20:29-30
 - a. Jesus warned of wolves in sheep's clothing - Matthew 7:15
2. They appear as good. II Corinthians 11:13-15
 - a. They appear as apostles of Christ. Vrs. 13
 - b. They appear as ministers of righteousness. Vrs. 15
3. They love not the truth. II Thessalonians 2:9-10
 - a. Lying signs and wonders. Vrs. 9
4. They make merchandise of you. II Peter 2:3
 - a. They use people to make money
5. These false teachers are branded in their conscience. I Timothy 4:1-4
 - a. Restrict you from marrying. Vrs. 3
 - b. Restrict you from certain foods. Vrs. 3
 - c. These are called doctrines of demons. Vrs. 1

ANY TEACHING THAT IS DIFFERENT FROM GOD'S WORD IS THE WORK OF DEMONS!!

2. **The Consequences of religious deceit - believe lies**

1. Cause others to over throw their faith
 - (a) - Hymenaeus and Philetus and Alexander the coppersmith - II Timothy 2:16-18
2. Strong delusion placed on them by God - II Thessalonians 2:11
3. Their conscience is branded with lies. - I Timothy 4:1-3
4. They are convincing enough that the elect can be led astray - Matthew 24:24, 2 Corinthians 11:3

This happens through church leaders getting people to follow them instead of Christ. They carefully steal your devotion to Christ and His word and get people devoted to them.

 - (a) They do it through writing books to show their supposed wisdom.
 - (b) They do it through smooth and flattery speaking. **Romans 16:18**
 - (c) They do it through sounding humble. **Colossians 2:18-19**
 - i) Because they are so humble God gave them a special message(vision). This is a lie.
 - ii) Don't sound humble - live confidently humble!
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All denominations are false, they are:

1. Man made
2. Man organized
3. Man centered
 - (A) elected president
 - (B) elected board of directors
 - (C) man assigned committees
 - (D) None of these are found in God's word

These are false organizations operating under the disguise of God's word.

The church in the scriptures is:

1. Christ built - Matthew 16:18
 2. Christ organized - Ephesians 4:11
 3. Christ centered - Colossians 1:18
- All positions of authority are:
1. ordained, or appointment - Acts 6:3, Titus 1:5
 2. accompanied by the laying on of hands and prayer Acts 6:6, I Timothy 4:14
 3. Filled with people led by the Spirit to do Christ's work - Romans 8:14

THIS IS THE CHURCH SPOKEN AND REVEALED IN THE SCRIPTURES - ANYTHING DIFFERENT IS FALSE!!

3. **The Cache of weapons found in God's word to defeat false teaching**

- Understanding God's word. II Timothy 2:15
 - (a) Be able to rightly apply scripture:
 - (b) If your ignorant about God's word the church has somethings to help
 - 1) Attending Sunday School - Adults and Children
 - 2) Attending bible studies that are happening throughout the week
 - 3) Attend Sunday afternoons for open discussion about sermon
- God filled preaching. II Timothy 4:1-4
 - 1) Man filled preaching will make you comfortable with who you are.
- Boldness through God's power to have no fear of man. Galatians 2:11-13
- Confidence in what God says and no one else - Galatians 1:6-10

God reveals who is good soil because they have honest hearts.

Luke 8:15 And the seeds that fell on the good soil represent honest, good-hearted people who hear God's word, cling to it, and patiently produce a huge harvest.

Honest hearts will always receive the word!