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2 Peter - Destructive Heresy in the Church, pt. 2

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A. Review

- **"Truth"** cannot be known without God. Truth is inseparable from God
John 14: 6
- The Bible identifies authentic Christians as those who:
 1. Know the truth
 2. Believe the truth
 3. Obey the truth
 4. Love the truth
- **Post modernism:** In general, a tendency to dismiss the possibility of any sure and settled knowledge of the truth.
- Truth is important to God
Matthew 7: 21 - 23

	2 Peter, Chapter 2	Jude
Refuting Truth	(14) Enticing unsteady souls (19) Promise them freedom	(16) Loud-mouthed boasters (16) Show favoritism to gain advantage
Self-focus	(2) Sensuality (3,14) Greedy (10) Lust of defiling passion (14) Eyes full of adultery (18) Entice by sensual passions of the flesh (14) Insatiable for sin (15) Forsaking the right way	(4) Pervert the grace of our God into sensuality (8) Defile the flesh (8) Rely on their dreams 12) Looking after themselves (12) Shepherds feeding themselves (16) Grumblers, malcontents
Self Deification	(1) Denying Christ who bought us (2) Blaspheme the way of truth (10) Despise authority (10) Bold and will-full	(4) Deny our only Master and Lord, Jesus Christ (8) Reject authority (9) Blaspheme all that they don't understand
Outcomes - False Teachers	(3) Their condemnation from long ago is not idle (3) Their destruction is not asleep (12) [They] will also be destroyed in their destruction	(4) Who long ago were designated for this condemnation (5) Destroy those who do not believe (13) Gloom of utter darkness reserved forever

B. 2 Peter Chapter 2 - Lessons in Identifying False Teaching

2 Peter 2:1 - 3; 1 Corinthians 7: 23

We can deny Christ in many ways

- Denying Christ as the way to salvation
 - Denying the Word of God
- Romans 10: 17
1 Corinthians 1: 18

2 Peter 2: 9 - 15; John 17: 17; 2 Peter 2: 18 - 19

1. Refuting Truth
2. Self-focus (1 Corinthians 13: 1 - 3)
3. Self-deification
4. Outcomes - false teachers

Religious rebellion

Jeremiah 3: 15

Jeremiah 17: 9

Jeremiah 13: 10

Psalm 119: 105

C. Culturally Accommodating Bible Versions

- The Renovare Bible
 - Ecumenical Wisdom
 - Heavy emphasis on mysticism, not solid theology
 - Includes the Apocrypha
 - Attacks the divine authorship of Genesis
 - Denies that the book of Daniel is prophesy
 - Ignores prophesy concerning Israel's future
- The Message
 - Not a translation
 - The Bible according to one man
 - Negates Jesus' Authority
 - Titles of Lord Jesus, Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, or Our Savior Jesus Christ are removed
 - "Lord" or "Jehovah" used just 71 times
 - Changes the very words of Jesus

John 3: 17

Matthew 6: 9 - 13

Matthew 16: 25

