

Series: Reset

Title: Reclaim Truth

Text: (2 Pet 2)

Reclaim the Truth:

It is a sin to lie! (Ex 20:16; Deut 5:20) *(10 Commandments)*

It's a greater sin to teach a lie! (Ps 50:19)

It is a Monstrous thing to teach a lie about God! (Matt 5:19)

Not Everything that sounds Spiritual is SCRIPTURAL!

(2 Peter 1:21*) Peter said we have something better.

It is TIME, We Christians Reclaim the Truth.

I. Reclaim the Truth by Realizing their Presence:

(2 Pet 2:1)

“even as there shall be false teachers among you:”

(2 Tim 4:1-5) *Time is Now*

(2 Tim 3:13) *“deceiving and being deceived”*

(2 Cor 11:13-15)

“privily” - Stealth, not Fortright

“shall bring in damnable heresies”

(Jude 1:3-4) *for the purposes of Power & Money.*

“heresies”- Full Departure from the Truth.

“even denying the Lord that bought them:”

“bring upon themselves swift destruction”

Jesus Said this would happen: (Matt 24:4, 24)

II. Reclaim the Truth by Recognizing Their Pretense:

How can you tell the difference?

A. By their Message: 5 Proofs

1. The Source Test:

a. Is it from scripture? (Isaiah 8:20)

b. Is it in context? (2 Peter 3:16) *“Wrest”*

Ist Ask These Questions:

Who is speaking? *Jesus words are in Red are helpful.*

Who are they speaking to? *Jew, Israel, Church, Christians?*

When were they speaking?

What are they speaking about? *Direct Reference, Prophecy?*

What does the entire bible say about that topic as a whole?

They twist the Truth to fit their agenda:

(Lev 24:16-22) *“Ye shall have one manner of law”*

(Deut 19:15-21) *“the judges, which shall be in those days;”*

2. The Saviour Test: (Vs 1) *“Damnable Heresy”*

Heresy~Purposely Separate From Truth (Col 1:13-18)

3. The Subject Test: (Deut 13:1-5)

“I spoke to an Angel” (Gal 1:8)

(1 Cor 14:32-33) *God is not the Author of Confusion.*

4. The Salvation Test: What are they teaching?

(Eph 2:8-9, Titus 3:5)

Is it God Centered or Man Centered? (Rom 9:11)

5. The Sanctification Test:

B. By their Method:

Stealth: Vs 1 *“Privily”*

Subtlety: (2 Pet 2:3) *“Through Covetousness”*

C. By their Manner: (Vs 2) *Pernicious~ Destructive*
(Jude 1:10, 18-19) “*They Separate them selves*”

Sad Truth: (Vs 2) *Many shall follow: A Large crowd does not indicate TRUTH.* (2 Tim 4:3) “*Sound Doctrine*”

D. By their Motive: (Vs 3) “*Make Merchandise of you*”
You become a Commodity to be bought or sold. (2 Pet 2:15)
(1 Tim 5:17-18)(1 Cor 9:11-14)

III. Reclaim the Truth by Recognizing Their Practices:
(2 Pet 2:10-14)

IV. Reclaim the Truth by Recognizing Their Prospect: Vs
3 *Judgment Slumbereth Not – No Escape*
Vs 4 *The angels didn't get away with it*
Vs 5 *Destroyed the Pre-Flood World for it*
Vs 6 *Destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah*
(Rom 8:32)

We need to Reclaim the TRUTH
By warning others, reaching them with the Truth.

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We are not Immune to the Lies of the Devil:

(Micah 6:8) Has the Answer:

I. To Do Justly: ~Live consistently what is Biblically Right!
We Reclaim the Truth by Living the Truth we know.
(James 4:17)

God gave you His Word-Read IT!
God gave you a church to love, support & Attend IT!
(Lev19:30)

God gave you an open line to Heaven in Prayer-Use IT!
God gave you a home in heaven-Tell Others About IT!

II. To Love Mercy:
We Reclaim the Truth by Applying the Truth we have Experienced.

III. To Walk Humbly with thy God:
~W/O Pride or Arrogance!

We Reclaim the Truth by Recognizing who He is:
(Heb 11:6)

We Reclaim the Truth by Admitting what We are:
Sinners: Rom 3:23
Dead to this World: Rom 6:2, 11
Alive only in Christ: Eph 2:1,5

Live W/O Expectations of God outside His Promises:

We Reclaim the Truth by Showing God His Worth:

We Need to Reclaim the Truth.
The Bible is the Truth that is ours to Claim.