

## II Peter 2:1

### I. Introduction:

A. Jesus warned of those who would come to the disciples as wolves in sheep's clothing and told the way to see through their false appearance (**Matthew 7:15-20**).

1. It is not just that false teaching will lead to sin. Allowing oneself to be deceived by false teaching is sinful in itself (**Ephesians 5:6-11**).

2. One is carried away [as in spoil] if deceived (**Colossians 2:6-8**).

B. Saints must take heed [beware] what we hear (**Mark 4:24**).

1. To not listen to; not obey what causes one to err (**Proverbs 19:27**).

2. To put an end to the spread of what is false (**Romans 16:17-18**, **I Timothy 1:3-7**, and **Titus 1:10-14**).

### II. Body: II Peter 2:1

A. As there were false prophets (**Jeremiah 14:13-15**, **Lamentations 2:14**, and **Micah 3:5**).

1. They strengthened the hands of evildoers (**Jeremiah 23:14** and **Ezekiel 13:22-23**).

2. They were popular (**Jeremiah 5:31** and **Luke 6:26**).

B. There SHALL BE false teachers (**Acts 20:28-31**).

1. They don't appear as evildoers, but rather bewitch [charm, etc.] (**Galatians 3:1**).

2. There will be those that seek them to have their ears tickled (**II Timothy 4:1-5**).

3. Just remember, false teachers are not only in the form of false evangelists/preachers (**Acts 15:1-5**, **II Timothy 3:1-7**, and **Revelation 2:20**).

4. Also, remember that teaching also occurs in songs, examples being followed, etc. (**Colossians 3:16**, **I Timothy 4:12**, etc.).

5. Also remember, they may have been faithful in times past (**Galatians 2:11-17**).

C. They privily shall bring in... (**Jude 1:4**).

1. The idea something being smuggled in [unawares] (**Galatians 2:1-5**).

2. They do not have to use great effort, it doesn't take much (**Galatians 5:7-9**).

D. Besides false doctrine, there will be those that bring damnable heresies [sects] among the saints (**I Corinthians 11:16-19**).

1. Denying [contradicting; refusing] the Lord (**Titus 1:16** and **I John 2:16**; cf. **Matthew 10:32-33**, **John 12:48**, and **Hebrews 12:25**).

2. The Lord that "bought them" (**I Corinthians 6:20** and **I Peter 1:18-19**), tells us these are false brethren.

E. Swift destruction which means: “swift; quick” (Thayer; Strong’s # 5031). Also translated “shortly” (cf. **II Peter 1:14**).

1. This is about judgment (**Malachi 3:5**).
2. It is certain that there is final judgment to come (**John 5:28-29**).
3. Understand this though, during the first century there were times wherein the Lord executed immediate judgment (**Acts 5:1-11** and **Revelation 2:20-23**).
4. His immediate Judgment was not in same manner in which people did not know what was happening or something/someone else could be credited/blamed (**Isaiah 42:8** and **Isaiah 48:11**; cf. **Isaiah 46:9-10**).

III. Conclusion: Our next lesson: **II Peter 2:2-3**