

2 Peter 2:1-22 ~ Danger of False Teachers ~ Discussion Questions

1. In what ways do people today abuse their freedom?
2. In Verses 2:1-3, Peter speaks of clever false teachers, but what are they actually teaching? (2:3, 10, 13, 14, 15, 18)
3. In 2:1, what exactly does “destructive heresies” and “sudden destruction” mean?
4. What examples does Peter give of the power and love of God?
2:4 _____
2:5 _____
2:6 _____
2:7 _____
5. What effect did living among immoral people have upon Lot? (2:7-8) What effect does living and working among sinful people have upon you? How do you deal with such people? How should you deal with them?
6. How did Peter say that the Lord would deal with godly people? How about with wicked and unrighteous people? On who is he especially hard? (2:9-10)
7. Peter enlarges his colorful descriptions of these evil men in Verses 10-15. Are there people like this around today? How would you describe them?
8. How did the evil people of whom Peter wrote affect others? Who is most susceptible to the appeals of these evil men? (2:18)
9. What did such sinful men promise? To what were they slaves? (2:19)
10. How did Peter say a person could escape the corruption of the world? What about someone who has escaped and then gets tangled up again? (2:20-21)
11. Why and how could someone who has known the love of Christ return to the unrighteousness from which he or she had been rescued?
12. When are you most tempted to return to some sinful activity or attitude? Why? Are lustful desires still the strongest enticement? What ones? Why?
13. To what sorts of desires can we become *unknowingly* enslaved?