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A SERIES IN 2 CORINTHIANS



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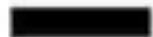
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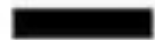
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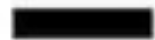
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They will divide your loyalties. They are an antichrist group. You are deceived into placing your primary loyalty toward the cult and its leaders instead of the Lord Jesus Christ. Also, you are discouraged from associating with non-members, and forbidden to have anything to do with ex-members. Where true Christians are encouraged to maintain contact and closeness with unbelieving family members, these groups do not.

FALSE TEACHERS, SATAN & JESUS

PART 2

2CORINTHIANS 11:5-15



1. Paul Despised



2 Corinthians 11:5

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No letters of commendation



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No letters of commendation
“Paper tiger”



2 Corinthians 11:6

Even if I am **unskilled in speaking**,
I am not so in knowledge; indeed, in every way
we have made this plain to you in all things.



1 Corinthians 2:1–4

And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with **lofty speech or wisdom...** and my speech and my message were not in **plausible words of wisdom**



2 Corinthians 11:6

Even if I am **unskilled in speaking...**



2 Corinthians 11:7

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2 Corinthians 11:9

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v19 For though I am free from all, I have made myself a servant to all,
that I might win more of them.



2 Corinthians 11:8

I robbed other churches by accepting support from them
in order to serve you



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And when I was with you and was in need,
I did not burden anyone, for the brothers
who came from Macedonia supplied my need.

So I refrained and will refrain from burdening you in any way.



2 Corinthians 11:10

As the truth of Christ is in me, this boasting of mine
will not be silenced in the regions of Achaia.



2 Corinthians 11:11

And why? Because I do not love you? God knows I do!



2 Corinthians 11:12

And what I am doing I will continue to do,
in order to **undermine the claim of those**
who would like to claim that in their boasted mission
they work on the same terms as we do.



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So it is no surprise if **his servants, also,**
disguise themselves as servants of righteousness.













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How do you identify False Teachers?



2 Corinthians 2:17

For we are not, like so many, **peddlers of God's word...**



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2 Corinthians 4:2

But we have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways.

We refuse to practice cunning or to **tamper with God's word...**



2 Corinthians 11:3

But I am afraid that
as the serpent deceived Eve by his cunning,
your thoughts will be **led astray**
from a sincere and pure devotion to Christ.



2 Corinthians 11:4

For if someone comes and proclaims **another Jesus**
than the one we proclaimed,
or if you receive a **different spirit** from the one you received,
or if you accept a **different gospel** from the one you accepted,
you put up with it readily enough.



2 Peter 2:3

And in their greed they will exploit you with **false words**.



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For such persons do not serve our Lord Christ, but their own appetites, and by **smooth talk and flattery** they deceive the hearts of the naive.



2 Timothy 4:3–4

.... people will **not endure sound teaching,**
but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves
teachers to suit their own passions...



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2 Corinthians 11:15

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2 Corinthians 11:20

For you bear it if someone makes slaves of you,
or **devours you, or takes advantage of you,**
or puts on airs, or strikes you in the face.



Philippians 3:19

Their end is destruction, their **god is their belly...**



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2 Peter 2:14

They have eyes full of adultery, **insatiable for sin**.
They entice unsteady souls. They have hearts trained in **greed**.



2 Peter 2:15

They have followed the way of Balaam, the son of Beor,
who **loved gain** from wrongdoing,



2 Peter 2:9–10

... indulge in the **lust of defiling passion and despise authority.**
Bold and willful...



2 Peter 2:19

They promise them freedom,
but they themselves are **slaves of corruption.**



2 Timothy 3:9

But they will not get very far,
for their **folly will be plain to all...**



2 Timothy 3:13

while evil people and impostors will go on from **bad to worse**,
deceiving and being deceived.



Matthew 7:15–16

“Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep’s clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves. You will **recognize them by their fruits.**”



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2 John 10–11

If anyone comes to you and does not bring this teaching,
do not receive him into your house or give him any greeting,
for whoever greets him takes part in his wicked works.



Acts 20:28–29

Pay **careful attention** to yourselves and to all the flock,
in which the Holy Spirit has made you **overseers**,
to **care** for the church of God
...after my departure **fierce wolves** will come in among you,
not sparing the flock;



Ephesians 4:11–14

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so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes.

