

FINISHING YOUR FAITH

Lesson Ten • 2Peter 2:10b-16

Learn to Discern False Living

A Finishing Faith Is a Discerning Faith

*that learns to discern **false teachers** (1-3) who promise a **false hope** (4-10a) that produces false **LIVING** (10b-16)!*

Learn to Discern that False Living...

1. RIDICULES those with greater authority. 2:10-12

2. REVELS in sexual immorality. 2:13-14

Reveling in Sexual Immorality means...

- No **LIMITS** sexually

- No **SHAME** sexually

- No **PURITY** sexually

- No **INTEGRITY** sexually

- No **CONTROL** sexually

3. RUNS after greedy opportunity. 2:15-16

The Way of Balaam ~ Numbers 22:1-25:18

Says what will please the ungodly for a price! (22:5-7)

Sets a stumbling block of immorality & idolatry before the godly! (25:1-2; 31:16)

The Way of Balaam Leads to Eventual, Eternal Judgment ~ Numbers 31:8, 16

4. REAPS what it sows with divine certainty. 2:15-16

"made to be caught and destroyed" (2: 12)

"will utterly perish in their own corruption" (2: 12)

"will receive the ages of unrighteousness" (2: 13)

"accursed children" (2: 14)

"to whom the gloom of darkness is reserved forever." (2: 17)

Who Needs to Learn to Discern False Living?

Believers who are **UNSTABLE** due to not growing in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ. (v. 14)

FINISH Your FAITH with a DISCERNING FAITH!

Don't Let the False Living of Others Trip You Up!

You therefore, beloved, knowing this beforehand, take care that you are not carried away with the error of lawless people and lose your own stability. But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen. 3:17-18 ESV

- Don't let the false living of others fool you into thinking God will not judge such sins.*
- Don't let the false living of others cause you to lose your spiritual stability in your own heart and life.*

*Where have you begun to think or talk or live in a false manner:
ridiculing those in authority over you, reveling in immorality, running after material opportunities at the cost of spiritual priorities, or thinking that you'll never reap what you sow?*
- Finish your faith with the confidence that **true living** is the fruit of a growing faith in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ!