

## HOW TO IDENTIFY FALSE TEACHERS (Matthew 7:15)

**II Timothy 2:15** Jesus and the Apostles warned the church that false teachers and preachers would rise up from outside and inside the church to try and deceive us and lead us astray from the truth. It is that very truth that will enlighten believers and help them recognize good doctrine from evil doctrine.

**Acts 17:10-12** It is eye opening to see that Paul writes that the people in Berea were “*more noble than those in Thessalonica*” and he qualifies his statement by explaining that they not only heard and received the word but studied and made sure what Paul preached from the bible was doctrinally sound.

**John 16:13; II Timothy 3:16** There are many cults and isms today that try and draw believers away. God knew that the enemy is smarter than we are so He first of all made the promise that He would never leave us and gave to each of us God the Holy Spirit to guide, teach and comfort us. He also gave us His word that is absolute truth and contains everything we need to know in order to become mature.

### Examine Their Beliefs By Your Bible

**Matthew 16:13-16** Jesus Christ and His completed work of redemption is of the utmost importance. Beware of anyone who teaches that Jesus is not equal with God the Father or who says Jesus has not come or is not coming again. Beware of those who teach anything other than Christ's blood was the purchase price for the sins of the whole world and His death, burial and bodily resurrection happened.

**I Corinthians 15:1-4** Beware and run from those that teach any other way of salvation other than the gospel that Paul taught in the New Testament.

**Galatians 1:6-8; Ephesians 2:8-9** Make sure your teacher does not teach a false gospel that leads to something “you must do” to be saved: Jehovah Witness, Catholic, Church of Christ, Mormons, etc.

**John 16:13-14** Make sure your teacher does not give more attention or importance to the Holy Spirit than he gives to Jesus Christ. Does your teacher understand what gifts of the Spirit are for now?

### Examine 'Their Bible' By Your Bible

**II Corinthians 2:17** Through much research and God's providence the KJB has been given to us in the English language and has been identified as authentic and true. The history of new translations prove they are corrupt and take away many scriptures that are proven to belong in cannon.

**Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:22-23; Luke 4:4** If you have a different bible than the KJB does your bible omit the word *virgin*? Does your bible omit the words “*but by every word of God*”?

**Luke 2:33** Regarding the relationship of Jesus father and mother, does your translation change the words that read in the KJB “Joseph and his mother” to *his father and mother*? Who was Jesus Father?

**Colossians 1:14** If you have a different bible other than the KJB does your bible say in this verse “through His blood” or does it omit this important truth.

### Examine Their Behavior By Your Bible

**Acts 20:29-31; II Corinthians 11:13-15** Only by knowing the truths of the bible and by being alert to what and how your teachers and preachers teach and live out their Christian life will you know truth.

**Hebrews 10:24-25** Does your teacher promote fellowship with believers and church service?

**Matthew 7:15-17** Does the teacher you listen to show forth good fruit (character) in their daily walk?

**II Corinthians 6:14-17** When you are listening on the radio, T.V., the internet, or visiting other churches does the teacher or preacher promote holiness and believers separation from the world?