

Sermon Questions

2 Peter 2:10-22

False and True Teachers

1. What stood out to you from this week's sermon?
2. Over the past few sermons in our series, Pastor Jim has shared with us about false teaching in regard to sexual ethics. Please read 2 Peter 2:1-9 and discuss what God expects of us as believers in Jesus.
3. This week, Pastor Jim taught us three lessons regarding false teachers from 2 Peter 2:10-22. Please read this passage together. The first lesson is that some people may look like Christians but are most certainly not Christians. Read the following passages and discuss the traits of true believers in Christ: Matthew 7:15-20; Luke 6:46-49; 1 John 3:2-6.
4. As Christians, we are not called to conduct orthodoxy exams on everyone we meet in church, that's God's job! Our task is found in 2 Peter 1:3-8 (please read). How does pursuing these things and adding them to our faith allow us to participate in God's divine nature?
5. Lesson two from this week's passage is to pay attention to pride. Peter tells us about false teachers in 2:10, "This is especially true to those who follow the corrupt desire of the flesh and despise authority. Bold and arrogant, they are not afraid to heap abuse on celestial beings." The sin of pride is found throughout the Bible. Read the following Scriptures and discuss how pervasive pride is and the results of being prideful: Ezekiel 16:49-50; Proverbs 11:2, 16:18, 29:23; Isaiah 2:11; Obadiah 3.
6. The lesson here is to avoid pride and embrace humility. Philippians 2:3 tells us to, "do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves." We can be thankful, as Christians, that God has given us teachers with humility who fear the Lord. Please take time to pray together. Thank God for His goodness and kindness to us. Thank Him for calling humble hearts to teach His Word. Thank Him for raising up shepherds after His own heart. Pray for the pastors of Calvary church and the churches in our community. Pray that God will continue to lead, guide and bless them in their ministry to His children. Pray also for Pastor Steve as he has been called to lead at Wellspring Church. Praise God for His faithfulness!