

Protection
from
The Disaster of Deception
Part 1

- I. The Command: Stop **Deceiving** Yourself: *'Be Not / Do Not Be Deceived'*
- A. The Greek (μή πλανήσθε) English Transliteration *me planasthe*; the Negative Particle μή = *me* Plus a Verb in the Present Tense and Imperative Mood *Which the Verb Translated 'Deceived'* (πλανήσθε) English Transliteration *planasthe* Means To **Stop** Doing Something That You Are Currently Doing = **Quit** Deceiving Yourself
1. Believers Are **Personally Responsible** to Not Allow Themselves to Be Deceived cf 1 Cor. 6:9*; 15:33*; Gal. 6:7*; Eph. 5:6*; Col. 2:8; Heb. 3:13; James 2:15*; 2 Pet. 3:17; 1 Jn. 3:7* (Each verse with * the Greek verbs meaning deceit πλανήω, and απατάω English Transliterations *planao* and *apatato* Are in the Imperative Mood and Thus a Command and Each of the Passages without the * Is Either the Verb πλανήω or the Noun πλάνη English Transliteration *plane* Is Used in a Context Where Another Verb Issuing a Command and Makes Not Being Deceived the **Believer's** Personal Responsibility
 2. Ten **Basic** Things Believers Are Either to Do, to *Know* or Beware of in Order to **Protect** Themselves Against the Deception of Sin
 - a. Know Deception Can Result in **Disaster** cf 2 Cor. 11:3; 1 Tim. 2:14 cf Gen. 3:1-24
 - b. Maintain **Fellowship** with a Body of Believers Where There Is Genuine, Continual Care and Concern for One Another cf Heb. 3:13
 - c. Know You Have an **Inward** Source of Deceit cf Heb. 3:13 Which Is Your **Sin Nature** cf Rm 7:7-25; Isa. 44:20