

***'Beware of the Alluring Appeal of Desires
of The Sin Nature
for Ear Tickling Deceitful False Teachers
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II. Things Believers Are Either *to Do, to Know, or to Beware of* in Order to **Protect** Themselves against the Deception of the Sin Nature

M. Beware of the Alluring Appeal of Desires of the Sin Nature, for '*Ear Tickling*' **Deceitful** False Teachers Who Will Mix, Modern Man's Thinking with the Word of God and Proclaim a Message That Will Appeal to, Allure and Appease the Natural Man's Sin Nature and Fleshly Desires for Prosperity, Physical Wellness, Personal Happiness, Physical Pleasures, Pretentious Religious Pomposity That Will Be Void of Genuine Spiritual Reality (that which is Theocentric not Anthropocentric and glorifies God and May Use Methods Which Have the Appearance of the Miraculous All of Which Promote forms of Modern Idolatry cf Mt. 3:22; 24:4-5, Mt. 24:11, 24; Mk. 4:19; 7:21-23; 13:5-6; Lk. 21:8; Acts 20:28-30; Rm. 16:18; Eph. 4:14, 22; 5:6; Col. 2:4-8; 3:20-23; 2 Thess.2:3; 1 Tim. 4:1; 2 Tim. 3:13 Titus 3:3; Heb. 13:9; 2 Pet. 2:1-3, 14-19; 3:17-19; 1 Jn. 2:26; 3:7; 2 Jn. 7; Jude 11-16; Rev. 2:1-7, Rev. 2:20; 13:14; 16:13-14; 19:20

Beware of False Teachers

I. **Warnings** to Beware

A. **Jesus** Forewarns of the Coming of **False** Prophets / Teachers cf Mt. 7:15; 24:3-5, 11 Mt. 24: 24; Mk. 13:5-6, 22; Lk. 21:8

1. The **Warning** Given in Mt. 7:15: "*Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly are ravening wolves.*"

a. The Word '*Beware*' in the Greek Is the Verb (προσέχετε) English Transliteration *prosechete* Means: *Turn One's Mind, Attention to a Thing; Be on **Guard Against*** cf Mt. 6:1; 10:17; 16:6; Lk. 12:1; 17:3 Lk. 20:46; 21:34; Acts 20:28; 1 Tim. 4:1: Some Deeper Insight from the Grammatical Light =

1) The Verb (προσέχω) English Transliteration *prosecho* Is a 2nd Person, *Plural, Present Tense, Active Voice, Imperative Mood* Form = a Direct **Command** to and for **All** Followers of Jesus

- 2) The Use of The Present Tense Calls for **Constant** Attentiveness to the Duty of **Perpetually** Remaining on Guard Against False Prophets Who Will **Continue** to Plague the People of God
- b. The Word *Come* Is the Translation of the Greek Verb (ἔρχομαι); English Transliteration *erchomai* Which Is in the 3rd Person, Plural, Present Tense, Indicative Mood Form Expresses That False Prophets / Teachers Will **Continue** Coming cf Acts 15:1-31; Gal. 1:6-7; 2:4-5; 2 Tim. 3:13; 1 Jn. 4:1; Rev. 2:18-29
- c. False Prophets: The Word '*False Prophets*' Is the Transliteration of the Greek Compound Word (ψευδοπροφήτης) English Transliteration pseudoprophetes; pseudo = *false* plus prophetes = *prophet* Does **Not** Simply Mean a **Foreteller** It Also Means to Be a **Forth-Teller** for God cf Jer. 26:3, 13; 42:12; Ezk. 16:30