

The Disaster of the Deception of the Sin Nature

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'The Sin Nature Allures Believers by Means of False Teaching'

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(Point I. and all sub points see previous note sheets)

- 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

(Points A. through L. and all sub points see previous note sheets)

- 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, 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 2 Pet. 2:14-19; 3:17-19; 1 Jn. 2:26; 3:7; 2 Jn. 7; Jude 11-16; Rev. 2:1-7, 20; 13:14 Rev. 16:13-14; 19:20

1. **Warnings** to Beware

- a. **Jesus** Forewarns of the Coming of **False** Prophets / Teachers cf Mt. 7:15; 16:11-12; Mt. 23:1-39; 24:3-5, 11, 24; Mk. 13:5-6, 22; Lk. 21:8

Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly are ravenous wolves." Mt. 7:15

(Points 1. through 7. and all sub points see previous note sheets)

- 8) False Teachers Are Exceedingly **Dangerous**

- a) Wolves Are Natural, **Vicious Enemies** of Sheep Which Are Utterly Defenseless, Helpless against an Attacking Wolf Apart from Their Shepherd cf Ezk. 22:27
- b) The Word 'Ravenous / Ferocious' (ἄρπαξ) English Transliteration harpax, Literally Means Robber, **Swindler**, Extortioner cf Lk. 18:11; 1 Cor. 5:10, 11; 6:10; the Use of This Word Exposes False Teachers as Being Religious **Hucksters** Who Preach for Personal *Monetary Gain* cf 2 Cor. 2:17; 4:2; 2 Pet. 2:3, 15; Jude 11

- i.* The Use of the Word (ἄρπαξ) English Transliteration harpax to Describe the Wolf Which Is a Metaphor for False Teachers Reveals the Danger the False Teacher Poses for Believers: They Can **Destroy** the Faith of Believers and **Ruin** Their Spiritual Lives cf 2 Tim. 2:17-18; Titus 1:10-11
- ii.* The Use of the Word ἄρπαξ English Transliteration harpax Exposes One of the Primary **Motives** of False Teachers: **Greed**, Desire for Personal Monetary Gain cf 2 Cor. 2:17^a