

BEWARE

The Bible is full of warnings of what the faithful are to look out for. We will look at some of these warning.

1. Beware of false prophets

What do we learn about false prophets from the following verses:

Matthew 7:15-20 _____

Matthew 24:23-26 _____

2 Peter 2:1-2 _____

1 John 4:1 _____

Romans 16:17-18 _____

1 Kings 13:1-24 _____

Acts 13:4-12 _____

2. Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees

What is the leaven of the Pharisees and the Sadducees (Mt. 16:6-12)? _____

What do we learn about leaven from 1 Corinthians 5:1-8? _____

What happens if we allow false doctrine to take over (2 Jn. 1:9-10)? _____

What do these verses teach us (Col. 2:8; Phil 3:2)? _____

How do we combat false doctrine (2 Tim. 4:1-5; Acts 17:10-12; 1 Pet. 3:15-16; Eph. 6:10-18)?

3. Beware of covetousness

Covetousness means an intense desire for something belonging to another. Let's discuss what the following verses say about covetousness:

2 Kings 5:15-27 _____

Jn. 12:5-6; Mt. 26:14 _____

Mark 7:21-23 _____

1 Tim. 6:10 _____

Mt. 16:26 _____

Col. 3:5; Eph. 5:3-5 _____

1 Cor. 6:9-10 _____

What should our attitude be regarding coveting things?

Ps. 37:16 _____

1 Tim 6:6-8 _____

Mt. 6:19-21 _____

Phil. 4:10-13 _____

Ecc. 12:13; Mt. 6:33 _____

When you are content with what you have, you will have a merry heart and life will seem so much better. Even the uninspired understood the value of contentment.

- "He is richest who is content with the least." (Socrates)
- "He is well paid that is well satisfied." (William Shakespeare)
- "He who is content can never be ruined." (Chinese Proverb)
- "He who wants little always have enough." (Johann Georg Zimmerman)
- "If you are not satisfied with a little, you will not be satisfied with much." (Unknown)
- "The contented man is never poor, the discontented never rich." (George Eliot)

4. Beware lest you fall

2 Peter 3:17-18 _____

2 Corinthians 11:3 _____

Galatians 5:4 _____

Hebrews 2:1-4 _____

1 Cor. 10:12-13 _____

1 Tim. 4:1 _____

2 Tim. 4:3-4 _____

Examples of falling

Acts 5:1-10 _____

Acts 8:18-24 _____

1 Cor. 5:1 _____

2 Tim. 4:10 _____

2 Tim. 2:17-18 _____

What happens when we fall and we stay down?

Rom. 6:23 _____

Heb. 6:4-8 _____

Heb. 10:26-31 _____

2 Pet. 2:20-22 _____

John 15:1-11 _____

Here is a list of some more verses that show that we can fall once we are saved, which teaches against the false doctrine once saved always saved. We already covered some of the verses above.

1. Matt. 5:29-30 – Cut your eye out so you don't go to hell
2. Matt. 6:1 – Practice righteousness before men = lose reward with Father
3. Matt. 10:42 – Give one a cup of cold water = won't lose reward
4. Matt. 18:7-14 – 99 sheep stay safe, yet one wanders off

5. Matt. 25:24-28 – Parable of the talents – the one who didn't use his was cast out
6. Matt. 26:31-33 – Apostles will fall away
7. Mark 4:15-19 – Parable of the sower – 2/4 of the soils receive the seed, but don't continue to produce fruit
8. John 15:1-6 – Must abide (continue)
9. Acts 8:9-24 – Simon was in the bond of iniquity
10. Acts 20:28-30 – Wolves will not spare the “flock”
11. Romans 8:12-13 – Brethren must die if they live according to the flesh
12. Romans 11:22 – We receive God's kindness IF we continue
13. 1 Cor. 8:7-13 – Weaker brother can be ruined
14. 1 Cor. 9:27 – Paul himself could be “disqualified”
15. 2 Cor. 11:3 – Can be led astray from our devotion
16. Gal. 1:6-9 – They were deserting Him who called them
17. Gal. 2:17-19 – If we rebuild what was once destroyed we become a transgressor
18. Gal. 5:4-7 – These had “fallen” and were severed from Christ
19. Gal. 6:1 – “Restore” implies lost salvation
20. Col. 2:8 – Taken captive through false teachings
21. 1 Tim. 1:18-20 – Hymenaeus and Alexander's faith was shipwrecked and handed over to Satan
22. 1 Tim. 3:7 – Elders can fall into the snare of the devil
23. 1 Tim. 4:1-3 – Some will fall away
24. 1 Tim. 6:9-10 – Those who desire riches fall into temptation and snares of Satan
25. 2 Tim. 2:17-18 – Gone astray from the truth
26. Heb. 3:12-19 – Fall away from the living God
27. Heb. 4:11 – Fall through disobedience
28. Heb. 6:4-6 – Some have fallen away
29. Heb. 10:26-31 – If we go on sinning there is no more sacrifice for sin
30. Heb. 13:9 – We can be carried away
31. Jam. 5:19-20 – Some stray and must be turned back
32. 2 Pet. 2:12-22 – Better not to have known than to turn away
33. 2 Pet. 3:17 – Fall from steadfastness
34. 1 John 4:1 – False spirits will mislead people
35. 2 John 7-10 – Warning to not “lose” what you have accomplished
36. Rev. 2:4-5 – They had left their first love
37. Rev. 3:20 – Jezebel led people astray