

# Revolutionary Grace

## Week 3: Don't Fall For Faulty Faith!

**This Week's Scripture Reading:** 1 Timothy 3-6, 2 Timothy 1-4, Titus 1-3, Philemon, Hebrews 1-4 and Psalms 20-26

### **1 Timothy 4:1-3 (NKJV)**

Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons, <sup>2</sup> speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their own conscience seared with a hot iron, <sup>3</sup> forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from foods which God created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and know the truth.

#### **I. THE APOSTASY.**

"Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith."

- Daniel (Daniel 7:25; Daniel 8:23),
- From our Lord (Matthew 24:4, 11),
- The apostle himself (2 Thessalonians 2.; Acts 20:29, 30; Colossians 2.)

#### **II. THE TIME OF ITS APPEARANCE.**

"In latter times."

#### **III. THE EXTENT OF THE APOSTASY.**

"Some will depart from the faith."

#### **IV. THE REASON OR PROCESS OF THE APOSTASY.**

"Giving heed to deceiving spirits, and doctrines of demons."

#### **V. THE CHARACTER OF THE FALSE TEACHERS UNDER EVIL INSPIRATION.**

"Speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their own conscience seared with a hot iron."

#### **VI. THE LIES THEY WILL TEACH.**

"Forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from foods."

### **Galatians 2:1-5, 11-16 (NIV)**

Fourteen years later I went up again to Jerusalem, this time with Barnabas. I took Titus along also. <sup>2</sup> I went in response to a revelation and set before them the gospel that I preach among the Gentiles.

But I did this privately to those who seemed to be leaders, for fear that I was running or had run my race in vain. <sup>3</sup> Yet not even Titus who was with me, was compelled to be circumcised, even though he was a Greek. <sup>4</sup> [This matter arose] because some false brothers had infiltrated our ranks to spy on the freedom we have in Christ Jesus and to make us slaves. <sup>5</sup> We did not give in to them for a moment, so that the truth of the gospel might remain with you. . . . <sup>11</sup> When Peter came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he was clearly in the wrong. <sup>12</sup> Before certain men came from James, he used to eat with the Gentiles. But when they arrived, he began to draw back and separate himself from the Gentiles because he was afraid of those who belonged to the circumcision group. <sup>13</sup> The other Jews joined him in his hypocrisy, so that by their hypocrisy even Barnabas was led astray. <sup>14</sup> When I saw that they were not acting in line with the truth of the gospel, I said to Peter in front of them all, "You are a Jew, yet you live like a Gentile and not like a Jew. How is it, then, that you force Gentiles to follow Jewish customs? <sup>15</sup> "We who are Jews by birth and not 'Gentile sinners' <sup>16</sup> know that a man is not justified by observing the law, but by faith in Jesus Christ. So we, too, have put our faith in Christ Jesus that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by observing the law, because by observing the law no one will be justified.

#### **Today's Truth Statement:**

The Doctrine Of Devils Is A Dangerous Doctrine To The Life And Eternity Of Every Person On Earth.  
Genuine Believers Must Become People So Connected To The Truth Of Christ  
That We Are Able To Stand Against The Current And Coming Falling Away.

#### **Questions:**

- What One Truth Or Statement Impacted You Most?
- Do You Believe We Are Currently Living In The "Latter Times"?
- Share Your Thoughts About Why There Is A Broad Road And A Narrow Path?
- List Several Ways That Believers Can Recognize False Teaching Today?
- What Steps Can We Take To Minimize Carnal Thinking And Maximize Spiritual Truth In Our Everyday Life?
- What Is The Difference Between "Good" Works And "God" Works?
- How Can We Become Bold Like Paul So We May Stand Against The Things That Are Not Of God?
- What Do You Think Brings More People To Christ . . . Rules And Regulations Or Love And Grace? Why?

**Next Week's Scripture Reading:** Hebrews 5-13, James 1-5, 1 Peter 1-2 and Psalms 27-33