

11. Jesus said the strong words of Matthew 23 as a final attempt to do what?
12. What word does Jesus repeatedly utter in Matthew 23?
13. The word “Woe” means “judgment” or “horror” or “calamity” but another definition of the word is what?
14. Matthew 23 records the last words that Jesus said where?
15. Jesus warned the religious leaders about the judgment that was coming their way and He also called them what?
16. They were hypocrites because they pretended to be religious leaders who lived for the glory of God but they really lived for what?
17. The religious leaders weighed people down with what?
18. What is a powerful tool that many religions know how to use effectively?
19. The very leaders who were supposed to show people the way into the kingdom of heaven actually did what?
20. The religious leaders were substituting what in the place of the Word of God?
21. Does religion, even Christian religion, do what the scribes and Pharisees did back in the time of Christ?
22. No misleading of people about things in this world compares with misleading people regarding what?
23. Jesus was so passionate in the rebuke of the scribes and Pharisees because what was at stake?
24. Religious ceremonies, observances, rituals, and liturgies give people a what?
25. What was the only action of the religious leaders that Jesus mentioned (Matthew 23:14)?
26. It is an established fact that the overwhelming majority of the money gained by prosperity gospel preachers comes from whom?
27. Jesus had no hesitation to talk about the reality of what?
28. The word Gehenna referred to the Valley of Hinnom, which was located where?
29. The Valley of Hinnom was used as the what?
30. False religious leaders promote their religious ceremonies, observances, rituals, and liturgies but nothing is said about what?
31. What is Peter contrasting in 2nd Peter 2:1?
32. Satan loves to plant what?
33. Most teachers in Bible colleges and seminaries in our nation do not hold to the what?
34. There have always been what in the realm of religion?
35. Peter says that false teachers bring in what?
36. Jesus said in Matthew 7:15 to beware of false teachers who come in what kind of clothing?
37. Peter tells us that false teachers even deny what?
38. The false teachers’ denial is the denial of what in their lives?
39. False teachers want to be their own what?
40. What is the result of that refusal to unconditionally submit to the lordship of Christ?

DESTRUCTION FROM RELIGION

2nd Peter 2:1

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon “**Destruction From Religion,**” as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. Is it possible for a very religious and devout person to be considered worthy of damnation?
2. We often find it difficult to believe that not all religion under the umbrella of Christendom is what?
3. We find it difficult to believe that some people would be willing to stoop so low as to use religion to make money off of whom?
4. It is a lie from the pit of hell that all religions do what?
5. The strongest words Jesus ever used were uttered against whom?
6. What chapter in the Bible records Jesus’ blistering denouncement of the religious leaders of His day?
7. In Matthew 23, Jesus was warning His disciples and others about doing what in relation to the example of the religious leaders?
8. The scribes and Pharisees were seen as the epitome of what?
9. The people of Jesus’ day would NOT have seen the scribes and Pharisees as what?
10. After Jesus described the religious leaders in verses 4-7, He basically said to His disciples, “You should not...” what?

41. False teachers promote destructive doctrines and the result will be that they will be what?

42. When Peter uses the word “destruction” he is NOT talking about what?

43. Have you been confused and deceived by religious leaders who talk about God and about Jesus and about the Bible but do not submit to the lordship of Christ and His Word unconditionally?

God did not give you His Word to make you a smarter sinner. He gave you His Word to make you more like His Son. Apply what you learn!

Remember: Your responsibility, by God’s enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- »»How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- »»How can I accomplish this change?
- »»What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

FOR NEXT TIME:

1. Read 2nd Peter through one time
2. Read 2nd Peter 1:1-2:3 five times this week
3. What makes a false teacher a false teacher?
4. As you think about our society, can you think of anyone who would qualify as a false teacher?

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