

BE ON YOUR GUARD

2 Timothy 3:6-9

INTRODUCTION

Acts 20:29-30 ^{NIV}

Matthew 24:10-11, 24-25 ^{NIV}

I. We can spot false teachers by their tactics (6-7)

1. They worm their way into homes
2. They target immature, spiritually needy people
3. They never clearly present the truth

II. We can spot false teachers by their opposition to the truth (8)

1. They oppose Christian leaders
2. They oppose biblical truth

III. We can spot false teachers by their character (9)

Matthew 7:15-16 ^{NIV}

Next Steps:

1. A warning to us: false teachers are going to come; in fact, they are already here. Keep growing spiritually in your knowledge of the Bible.
2. An exhortation to us who are Elders and leaders of the church: hold one another accountable, especially for those of us who teach and preach.