"The Appeal Of False Religion"

Lesson Text: Romans 16:17-18.

I. The Strong Influence Of A Charismatic Leader.

- Charisma- "A personal appeal or power to fascinate and attract others." (World Book Dictionary).
- The good speaking ability of a leader that attracts crowds.
 - (1) Oral Roberts. (2) Benny Hinn. (3) Billy Graham.
 - (4) John Hagee. (5) Rick Warren. (6) Joel Osteen.
- But Before Them Came: John Knox; John Wesley; Charles Russell; Joseph Smith; Mary Baker Eddy....
- The Power Is Not in Man's Ability, But God's. 1 Corinthians 2:2-5; 1 Cor. 3:3-5.
 - Proper View Of Men Working For God- 1 Corinthians 3:6-9; 1 Corinthians 4:6.
 - What Paul Began To Speak Against In 1 Corinthians 1:11-13.

II. Comforting Doctrines That Are Less Than Truth.

- The Faith-Only Doctrine (James 2:14-26).
- The Once-In-Grace, Always-In-Grace Doctrine (Hebrews 6:4-6).
- Total Heredity Depravity Doctrine (Ezekiel 18:1-4; and 20).
- The Imputed Righteousness Of Christ (I Corinthians 6:9-11).
- The No Law, All Grace Doctrine (I John 2:3-5).
- The Universal Salvation Doctrine (2 Thessalonians 1:7-9).
- Healing Is For Everyone Today (I Corinthians 13:8-10).
- The Holy Spirit Imparts Truth Apart From The Word- 2 Timothy 3:16-17.

III. The Use Of Carnal Desires To Draw Crowds.

- 2 Timothy 4:2-4.
- There Are Full Service Churches That Appeal To The Carnal Side Of Man.
- Fun, Games, And Recreation For Young Folks.
- Prosperity Gospel To The Older Folks.
- Appeal To The Bigness Of The Movement.
- The Beauty Of Their Worship Facilities (Building).
- Should The Church Use Carnal Or Physical Means To Draw People To Christ?
 - What Did Jesus Do? Some Say He Did In John 6:4-14.
 - But Read On... John 6:22-27.
- How Are Men Drawn To Christ? John 6:44-45; John 12:32.
- Why Do People Not Follow Jesus' Way Of Evangelizing?
 - It's Easier And Faster To Give Them What They Want....
- How Do We React To This Appeal?