2 Peter: GROW IN LIGHT OF FALSE TEACHERS

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- 1. KEEP GROWING DESPITE FALSE TEACHERS (vs. 1-3)
- 2. TRUSTING THAT GOD WILL JUDGE THEM, AND DELIVER THE RIGHTEOUS (vs. 4-21)

MEMORY VERSE: 2 Peter 2:1-3

READ AHEAD FOR NEXT WEEK: 2 Peter 3:1-18

## **DISCUSSION GUIDE**

- 1. Should we be surprised by false teachers invading the church?
- 2. Define heresy. Is there such a thing as a non-destructive heresy? Why or why not?
- 3. Skim the chapter. What do these false teachers seem to be teaching?
- 4. What religions/worldviews deny "the Sovereign Lord who bought them"?
- 5. Describe the false teacher's character and lifestyle.
- 6. Why is it important that a teacher's character/lifestyle match their teaching?
- 7. Compare and contrast the three examples in vs.4-9.
- 8. What does vs. 4-9 say about God's judgment and deliverance?
- 9. What is significant about the false teacher's attitude towards "celestial beings" (NIV) or "angelic majesties" (ESV, NASB)?
- 10. What was the sin of Balaam (Numbers 22-24)?
- 11. What is the fate of these false teachers?
- 12. Is it possible for a false teacher to be redeemed?
- 13. How does this passage challenge or encourage you?