



Snapshots of a Disciple  
 A study on teachers - Lesson 11

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Hello brothers, sisters, and friends,

*Intro:* This is continuing in our study of comparing and contrasting true Bible teachers versus deceptive false teachers. Thanks for joining us! ~ Let's dig in!

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Next section in the notes of that study

*Bible Teacher's side reads:*

11 Focuses on being faithful with money, using it to serve God and help men and women

“A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, temperate, sober-minded, of good behavior, hospitable, able to teach; not given to wine, not violent, not greedy for money, but gentle, not quarrelsome, not covetous...”  
 (1st Timothy 3:1-3)

“Take heed that you do not do your charitable deeds [to show off] before men, to be seen by them, otherwise you have no reward from your Father in Heaven...”  
 (Matthew 6:1)

“Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his Master made ruler over His household, to give them food in due season? Blessed is that servant whom his

Master, when He comes, will find so doing. Assuredly, I say to you that He will make him ruler over all His goods.” (Matthew 24:45-47)

“His Lord said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your Lord.’” (Matthew 25:21)

>>> in contrast/comparison to -

***False Teacher’s side reads:***

11 Focuses on serving money and large buildings, uses money to look religious

“For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.” (1st Timothy 6:10)

“Her heads [*leaders*] judge for a bribe, her priests teach for pay, and her prophets divine for money. Yet they lean on the LORD, and say, ‘Is not the LORD among us? No harm can come upon us.’” (Micah 3:11)

“Woe to them! For they have gone in the way of Cain, have run greedily in the error of Balaam for profit, and perished in the rebellion of Korah.” (Jude 1:11)

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***My additional notes:***

Curious, have you paid much attention to what your leader(s) uses ministry money for? Do they support Masonic groups (like Rotary, Moose Lodge, Shriners, etc)? Do they allow their facilities to be used for unBiblical events, meetings, or activities? Do they let clear false teachers use their campus for events or classes?

*On a different subject:* Does your leader(s) spend money on activities that are clearly getting the gospel out? Or are they spending money on entertainment activities? Are they using money to build bigger buildings with advanced technology, or simple buildings (only when necessary for spiritual growth - not numbers growth)?

*Another subject to think on:* Does your leader(s) try to politely force you to make an annual promise of how much money you will be giving to his ‘ministry’? Do they emphasize tithing every year to their ‘ministry’? Do they teach that you have to give to them for God to bless you? Is their focus on their paycheck or on being poor according to this world’s standard, but rich in evangelistic and Biblical teaching and activities? ~

*Another angle on this:* Does your pastor give large donations to things that make him look good, or quietly give money to things that go unnoticed? Does he like to parade his donation or ‘gift’ to get publicity, or does he genuinely prefer no fanfare?

Those questions above are pretty helpful and can be a good jumpstart in identifying if we're listening to and watching a false teacher, as compared to a true teacher :)

Till next time, let's keep growing in following and pleasing Jesus!  
~ your friend/brother, a growing servant/life-slave of Jesus, SH :)

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**About this study:**

The above new lesson is one of a series that I plan to try to post once a week from. It's based on a new Bible study that my family did in 2012, where we sought to collect and compile verses that show the surface-level similarities between a Bible teacher and a false teacher, yet pointing out the bad fruit that shows up the motives, the message, and the conduct of these individuals. (To find this online - see below)

As you study this along (or read the study for yourself too), you'll notice that we do not name any Bible or false teachers by name, individually. We did that intentionally, to allow God's Word to sharpen all of our spiritual eye-sights to be able to see not just a false teacher better, but also false teaching (even when coming from a growing Bible teacher). In this study, we are not promoting ourselves better than anyone, for we too need to keep growing in hunger and thirst for God's Word and obeying what we read too. Our main point of this study is to encourage those who are studying and teaching the Bible as accurately as they can, while helping to expose false teachers by using God's Word to expose their false teaching. Of course, along the way, we encourage feedback - approving or disapproving, or even noting a gap or typo - all feedback is welcome :)

**To find the whole study online:**

There are 2 ways you can keep up with this study if you wish to - you can email me (see below) to be added to that e-list, or you can find them at my family's Bible study page on Facebook: 'Snapshot of a Disciple' -

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Snapshots-of-a-Disciple/140793325968043>

For those who have not seen the full study yet, here's a link:

[http://www.incpu.org/True-or-false\(booklet\)1.pdf](http://www.incpu.org/True-or-false(booklet)1.pdf)

And, you can find it on Lulu as an e-book (for free) ~ I hope to update the version soon so it can work for kindle and nook, but here's a link to the first edition:

<http://www.lulu.com/shop/s-henry/a-study-of-bible-teachers-and-false-teachers/ebook/product-20369877.html>

*(If that doesn't pull up for you, please email me and I'll be glad to send you a copy of the PDF as an attachment. ~ [Steven.h3@gmail.com](mailto:Steven.h3@gmail.com))*

\*\*\* If you missed one of the previous lessons as we work through the study, you should be able to find it here: <http://www.incpu.org/true-false.html>