

1 **2 Peter****Lesson 7****Presumptuous Are They**

A verse-by-verse expository study

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3 **2 Peter Lesson 7 Chapter 2:10-15**

10 But chiefly them that walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness, and despise government. Presumptuous are they, selfwilled, they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities. 11 Whereas angels, which are greater in power and might, bring not railing accusation against them before the Lord. 12 But these, as natural brute beasts, made to be taken and destroyed, speak evil of the things that they understand not; and shall utterly perish in their own corruption; 13 And shall receive the reward of unrighteousness, as they that count it pleasure to riot in the day time. Spots they are and blemishes, sporting themselves with their own deceivings while they feast with you; 14 Having eyes full of adultery, and that cannot cease from sin; beguiling unstable souls: an heart they have exercised with covetous practices; cursed children: 15 Which have forsaken the right way, and are gone astray, following the way of Balaam the son of Bosor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness; 2 Peter 2:10-15

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Verse 10

But chiefly them that walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness, (3:3; Jude 16) and despise |government. [Margin: *Dominion*, (R)]

Presumptuous are they, (FM: Ex 21:14; Deu 1:43 with Num 14:44) selfwilled, (Gen 49:6,)

they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities. (Jude 8, Ex 22:28)

Consider Paul's instruction on these things For Today:

Gal 5:16;Ti 1:7; Ro 13:1-4

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Verse 11

Whereas angels, which are greater in power and might, (Jude 9)

bring not railing accusation |against them before the Lord. Margin: Some read, *against themselves*. [See apparatus]

- Jude 9 Yet Michael the archangel, when contending with the devil he disputed about the body of Moses, durst not bring against him a railing accusation, but said, The Lord rebuke thee.

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Verse 12

But these, as natural brute beasts, made to be taken and destroyed,

speak evil of the things that they understand not; and shall utterly perish in their own corruption;

- Jude 10 But these speak evil of those things which they know not: but what they know naturally, as brute beasts, in those things they corrupt themselves.

What does Paul say about the natural man?

- 1 Corinthians 2:14 But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

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Verse 13

And shall receive the reward of unrighteousness, (Ac 1:18)

as they that count it pleasure to riot in the day time. (Ro 13:13, Gen 14:4)

Spots they are and blemishes, (Jude 12)

sporting themselves with their own deceivings while they feast with you; (FM: Gen 26:8)

- Jude 12 These are spots in your feasts of charity, when they feast with you, feeding themselves without fear: clouds they are without water, carried about of winds; trees whose fruit withereth, without fruit, twice dead, plucked up by the roots;

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Verse 14

Having eyes full of adultery, [Margin: *Or, an adulteress.* (MS98)] (James 4:4)

and that cannot cease from sin; beguiling unstable souls: (FM; Gen 3:13)

an heart they have exercised with covetous practices; cursed children:

James 4:4 Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.

What does Our Apostle say to us?

Colossians 2:18 Let no man beguile you of your reward in a voluntary humility and worshipping of angels, intruding into those things which he hath not seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind,

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Which have forsaken the right way, and are gone astray, following the way of Balaam the son of Bosor, (Jude 11; Rev 2:14) who loved the wages of unrighteousness;

- Jude 11 Woe unto them! for they have gone in the way of Cain, and ran greedily after the error of Balaam for reward, and perished in the gainsaying of Core.
- Revelation 2:14 But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication.
- Numbers 22:7 And the elders of Moab and the elders of Midian departed with the rewards of divination in their hand; and they came unto Balaam, and spake unto him the words of Balak.