

# *The Disaster of the Deception of the Sin Nature*

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*'The Sin Nature Allures Believers by Means of False Teaching'*

Beware of False Teachers

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(Point I. and all sub points see previous note sheets)

## I. Warnings to **Beware** of False Teachers

[ Point A. and all sub points see previous note sheets ]

- B. The Apostle **Paul's** Warnings to Believers cf Acts 20:28-30; 2 Thess. 2:3; 1 Tim. 4:1-3; 2 Tim. 3:1-11; Titus 1:10-14: His Warning to the **Elders** in the Church at Ephesus cf Acts 20:28-30

[ Point 7. and all sub points see previous note sheets ]

8. The First **Reason** Elders Must Take Heed to Themselves and Provide for the *Spiritual Supervision, Spiritual Protection and Spiritual Well-Being* of the Believers, in Whose Midst the Holy Spirit Has Placed Them to Shepherd Acts 20:29-30:

***"For I know this that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them."** Acts 20:29-30*

[ Points. a. through c. and any sub points see previous note sheets ]

- d. **'not sparing'** (μή φειδόμενοι) English Transliteration **me pheidomenoi** root (φείδομαι) English Transliteration **phaidomai** When Negated the Word Can Express **Severe, Harsh, Terrible** Things Happening to People cf Rm. 8:32; 11:21; 2 Pet. 2:4, 5
- e. Because *Grievous / Savage / Fierce* **'Wolves'** Will Definitely Come in Among the **Elders**
9. The **Second Reason** Elders Must Take Heed to Themselves and Provide for the *Spiritual Supervision, Spiritual Protection and Spiritual Well-Being* of the Believers, in Whose Midst the Holy Spirit Has Placed Them to Shepherd Some Elders Will Arise: **'Speaking' Perverse / Twisted Things / Distorting the Truth**

***"Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse / twisted things, / distort the truth / to draw away disciples after them."** Acts 20:30*

- a. The Word **Speaking** λαλέω English Transliteration **laleo** Present Tense form Denoting **Continual Action**
- b. **Perverse / Twisted / Distorting** διαστρέφω English Transliteration diastrepho Literally Means 'Crooked', 'Twisted' cf LXX Eccl. 1:15; 7:13 Micah 3:9 (N.A.S.B.; E.S.V.) the Word Is Also Used in the New Testament with the Meaning of **Distort, Mislead** with a View to Turning Them Away from the Truth, God's Way cf LXX Prv. 4:27; 8:13; Micah 3:9; Acts 13:8, Acts 13:10

## An Example of a Modern Day False Teacher Twisting the Scriptures and Misleading Believers

*"God's people are to be rich – financially wealthy and prosperous in every possible way with plenty of money. Scripture after scripture confirms it: Prv. 10:22; 8:18" The Blessings Maketh Rich by Kenneth Copeland*

### Observations from Prv. 8:18

*"Riches and honor (are) with me (wisdom); yea, durable riches and righteousness. My fruit (is) better than gold, yea, than fine gold; and my revenue than choice silver. I lead in the way of righteousness, in the midst of the paths of justice, That I may cause those who love me to inherit substance; and I will fill their treasuries." Prv. 8:18-20*

1. **Me** refers to **Wisdom** Which Has Been Personified, That Is treated as Being a Person, a Woman, We Might Say **Lady** Wisdom cf Prv. 8:1, 11, 12
2. These Riches Are **DURABLE** Is the Translation of the Hebrew Adjective (עָתֵק) English Transliteration **ahtheq**; This Is The Only Time the Word is Used in the Scriptures '6982 עָתֵק ('ā-tēq): adj. ≡ Str. 6276; TWOT1721b—1. LN. 67.78–67.141 enduring, lasting, i.e., pertaining to what lasts a long duration of time (Pr 8:18+)" Swanson, J. (1997). Dictionary of Biblical Languages with Semantic Domains : Hebrew (Old Testament) (electronic ed.). Oak Harbor: Logos Research Systems, Inc.
3. Other Passages in the Scriptures Teach That Financial Riches, Wealth **Cannot** Be Counted on as Being **Durable** or **Lasting** and Are Not to Be Trusted cf Pr. 23:4-5; Mt. 6:19-20 1 Tim. 6:17
4. The Biblical Truth Is That *Financial Riches* Are **Not** Durable Therefore We Must Look for **Another** Explanation for the Riches in Prv. 8:18 That Does Not Contradict the Scriptures
5. The Riches and Honor Are **Spiritual**; Proof the **Context** Verse 19 *"My fruit (is) better than gold, yea, than fine gold; and my revenue than choice silver. I lead in the way of righteousness, in the midst of the paths of justice," Prv. 8:19*