



# ***Adult and Teen Life Groups Conferencing Guide***

SERMON DATE: 03/22/2026  
DISCUSSION DATE: 03/29/2026  
TEXT: MATTHEW 7:15-20

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## **WARNING!**

### **I. THE WARNING (v. 15)**

A. The definition

B. The danger

C. The deception

### **II. BE WATCHING (vv. 16-20)**

A. Watch their character

B. Examine their creed

## **FOR CONFERENCING**

1. **Read Matthew 7:13-20.** As Jesus concluded his Sermon on the Mount, He invited the listener (reader) to *enter by the narrow gate* (v. 13). He then said, *difficult is the way which leads to life* (v. 14). What were Jesus' next four words in verse 15? Why did Jesus give this warning?
  
2. **Read Deuteronomy 13:1-5.** According to this passage, why would God allow the temptation to follow after other gods? What 5 commands did God then give His people in verse 4? Explain each one. What measure was to be taken against a false prophet in verse 5? Why?
  
3. **Read Romans 16:17-18.** What is to be done to those who teach contrary to the doctrines of Christ? How do they pull people away from the truth? **Read John 4:1.** What are we to do and why?
  
4. What does a true prophet of God do and say? (hint: read Exodus 4:12, 15-16 & Deuteronomy 18:18) True prophets spoke to draw God's people back to Himself. What do false prophets do? (hint: read Jeremiah 14:14)
  
5. **Read II Timothy 4:3-4.** Why will some turn away from the truth? **Read Colossians 2:8.** Why might some turn away from Christ? Can you give examples of how we might see these things happening today?
  
6. According to **Matthew 7:15**, How do false teachers appear? (hint: who wore sheep's clothing?) According to verses 16-20, how can a false teacher be identified?
  
7. The type of false prophets/teachers Jesus was warning about were infiltrators who appeared to be genuine teachers. How do false teachers infiltrate Christians and Christianity today? What methods and venues do they use to appeal to Christians to pull them away or to keep religious people from the truth? (See also Jude 3-4)
  
8. **Read Acts 20:28.** According to this verse, what responsibility does a pastor have to his church? **Read Ephesians 4:14.** According to this verse, what responsibility does the believer have?