

“Man’s **Responsibility** to **Choose**: Part 3a”

Matthew 7:15-20

Message Title: “Man’s **Responsibility** to **Choose**: Part 3a”

- I. Man Must Choose the **Gate** to **Enter**
- II. Man Must Choose the **Way** to **Travel**
- III. Man Must Choose the **Teachers** to **Heed**

- a. The **False** Teachers

1. A Clear **Warning**

Matthew 6:1 “Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye have no reward of your Father which is in heaven.”

Matthew 10:17 “But beware of men: for they will deliver you up to the councils, and they will scourge you in their synagogues;”

Matthew 16:6 “Then Jesus said unto them, Take heed and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.”

Ezekiel 22:27 “Her princes in the midst thereof *are* like wolves ravening the prey, to shed blood, *and* to destroy souls, to get dishonest gain.”

2. The Deceptive **Danger**

Matthew 23:25 “Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For ye make clean the outside of the cup and of the platter, but within they are full of extortion and excess.”

2 Timothy 3:6 “For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts,”

Jude 4 “For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.”

2 Corinthians 11:13-15 “For such *are* false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. ¹⁴ And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. ¹⁵ Therefore *it is* no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.”

Galatians 4:12-17 “Brethren, I beseech you, be as I *am*; for I *am* as ye *are*: ye have not injured me at all. ¹³ Ye know how through infirmity of the flesh I preached the gospel unto you at the first. ¹⁴ And my temptation which was in my flesh ye despised not, nor rejected; but received me as an angel of God, *even* as Christ Jesus. ¹⁵ Where is then the blessedness ye spake of? for I bear you record, that, if *it had been* possible, ye would have plucked out your own eyes, and have given them to me. ¹⁶ Am I therefore

become your enemy, because I tell you the truth? ¹⁷ They zealously affect you, *but* not well; yea, they would exclude you, that ye might affect them.”

Matthew 21:9 “...Hosanna to the Son of David: Blessed *is* he that cometh in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest.”

Matthew 27:22 “...Let him be crucified.”

IV. The Constant **Application**

- a. We Must Constantly **Watch**
- b. We Must Constantly **Learn**
- c. We Must Constantly **Warn**