

Series: Sermon on the Mount
Message – “Wolves in Sheep’s Clothing”

July 29, 2018
Matthew 7:15-20

The Big Idea: Anyone who brings a message that is contrary to what Jesus taught is a false prophet. Especially those who use deception to do so.

I. A reminder of where we are in the Sermon

A. Previous call to DISCERNMENT

B. The WRAP-UP of the Sermon

II. Watch out and be on guard

A. The REALITY of false prophets

1. In the OLD Testament

- Deuteronomy 13:1-4
- Jeremiah 5:30-31; 14:14; 23:1-2
- Ezekiel 22:27
- Zephaniah 3:3-4

2. In the NEW Testament

- Acts 20:29-31
- 2 Corinthians 11:13-15
- 2 Peter 2:1-3; 17-22
- Jude 4

3. These WARNINGS are important because...

- TRUTH matters

B. The DESCRIPTION of false prophets

1. They’re DECEPTIVE

2. They’re DANGEROUS

C. The DISCOVERY of false prophets vs. 16-20

1. Their TEACHING/DOCTRINE

- ORIGIN
- AUTHORITY
- CONSISTENT
- Promote spiritual GROWTH & HEALTH

2. Their TRADEMARK

- Christ and the CROSS are not CENTRAL
- Deemphasize SIN & JUDGMENT
- Motivated by GREED & selfish GAIN
- Cause DIVISION

III. What we take away...

The greatest defense against false teachers is to be grounded in the Word of God