

Warnings and Winning
Romans 16:17-20
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Stand your ground lest you fall.

Examples of false teaching.

Why does Paul give this warning?

The peace, purity, and unity of the church depend on the truth.

Watch out for those who cause divisions and create obstacles.

They are contrary to Apostolic doctrine.

AVOID THEM.

How do we identify a false teacher?

1) Their character, 2) their teaching.

Such men are slaves to their own appetites.

They are serving themselves.

False teachers cannot hide their sour character or their errant teaching.

What is their Method? - smooth talk and flattery.

Like a used car salesman -

They make Excessive promises.

Basically, they are politicians running a campaign.

Their character and their methods will reveal them as false teachers.

But what is the standard by which to measure them?

Doctrine - "contrary to what you have been taught." v 17

What will be the false teachings of tomorrow?

What is blind obedience? A studied obedience?

"Be wise in what is good, and innocent in what is evil." (1 Cor. 14:20)

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This is the Promise of the Covenant (Gen 3:15)

Notice who wins.

The final victory.

The battles leading to the final victory.

How will God crush Satan? Under your feet.

When Will God Crush Satan under our feet?

How will we fulfill our place in the victorious plan of God?

Do you want to win?