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- I. Jesus' Serious Warning about False Teachers (15a)
- II. The Real Danger with False Teachers (15b)
- III. The True Nature of False Teachers (15c)

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- IV. The Accurate Identification of False Teachers (16-20)
 - A. Their fruit reveals their true nature (16-18).
 - 1) Character & Conduct (Matt. 7:21-26)
 - a) Motivated by greed.
 - b) Marked by sensuality and sexual sin.
 - c) Characterized by arrogance.
 - 2) Content (Luke 6:43-45)
 - 3) Converts
 - B. Their fruit predicts their final destiny (19-20).

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How to become the prey of false teachers...

- 1) Evaluate a Christian teacher's genuineness solely on your perception of his sincerity.
- 2) If a teacher talks about loving God, Jesus, and the Bible and acts spiritual assume he is genuine.
- 3) Receive everyone who refers to himself as a Christian or as an evangelical.
- 4) Watch a lot of Christian television.
- 5) Read the best-selling Christian books without being a Berean.
- 6) Accept what any well-known teacher says without checking it carefully against the Scripture.
- 7) Love new theological ideas and new doctrinal perspectives, rather than those the Church has always taught and believed.
- 8) Follow professing Christian teachers who are popular with the world at large.