

2 Tim. 3:13-17; Col. 2:8,22,23; 2 Pet. 1:3;
Matt. 24:35

- **Present a different Gospel:**

Galatians 1:6-9

2 Corinthians 11:3,4,13-15

- * **A different Jesus:**

Col. 1:15, 2:9 (not really God)

Phil. 2:6-11; Heb. 2:14,17 (not really man)

- * **Works righteousness:** (faith + works)

Ephesians 2:8,9; Titus 3:5-7

Romans 4:5; 10:2-4; 3:20; 9:30-32

Galatians 2:16,21; 3:2,3,10,11

Philippians 3:9; 2 Cor. 5:21

- **A different Spirit:** (force/less than god)

Acts 5:3,4; 1 John 4:1-3

- **A different Final State:** (heaven/hell/judgment)

Hebrews 9:27; 10:26,27

- **Follow one human leader:** (authoritarian)

1 Corinthians 3:3-15

Acts 4:12

- **Ongoing/New Revelation:** (Bible not sufficient)

Hebrews 1:1,2; 2 Timothy 1:13,14; John 20:30,31

Jude 3, 2 Peter 1:12-14,19-21; 3:15,16

- **Modern day prophets:** (no autonomous thinking)

Deuteronomy 13:1-5; 18:18-21

Jeremiah 28:9; 1 Corinthians 14:29,36,37

- **Only true Church:** (exclusive source of truth)

1 Pet. 2:9; Rom. 9:6; 11:5,25; 12:5; 1 Cor. 12:12,13

1 Tim. 2:5; Matt. 16:18; Gal. 3:20; Col. 1:18

- **Hidden secrets/closed history:** (deception)

- **Feelings dominate faith:** (no objective truth)

Jeremiah 17:9; Proverbs 28:26; 14:12

- **Leaders have absolute power:** (don't ask question)

1 Peter 5:1-3

- **Once you join, you can not leave:** (manipulation)



How To Guard Against False Doctrine:

- Guard the Truth - 2 Pet. 3:16,17; 2 Tim. 1:13,14; 1 Tim 4:6
- Give a defense/oppose false teaching - 1 Pet. 3:15,16; Titus 1:9; 2 Tim. 2:24-26; Gal. 2:11,14
- Know what you believe - 2 Timothy 3:13-17
- Test everything with Scripture - Acts 17:2,3,11
- Know your Bible - Hebrews 5:14; 2 Tim. 2:15
- Love the Truth - 2 Thess. 2:9-11

“Non-Christian Religions”

Definition of Religion: A belief system which answers ultimate questions: “What is ultimate reality? Why is the universe here? Why is man here? What is man’s problem? What is the solution to man’s problem? Where is man going? Is there life after death?”

Non-Christian Religions: Religions which differ exclusively from Christianity, and when compared to the Bible and reality, have a wrong view of God, man, sin, solution to man’s problem, meaning and value of human life, and ultimate end to this life.

Conflict In Man: (man longs for spiritual relationship/ a cause that is greater - yet he desires for

autonomy/ self rule.) Romans 1:18-32; Genesis 1:26,27;
Hebrews 11:6

Jesus

UNDER FIRE

"Cults"

Definition: A belief system which deviates from the foundational, historical, Biblical beliefs of Christianity.

Acts 20:27-30
2 Peter 2:1-3

Deception: A Sign Of The Times

Matt. 24:4,5,11,24; 7:15
1 Tim. 4:1-3; 2 Tim. 4:2-4

Danger Signs Of A Cult/False Religion

- **Deify Man:** (I can become God)
Gen. 3:5; Is. 14:14; Ezek.28:2;
2 Thess. 2:4
- **Humanize God:** (God was once man)
Is. 43:10,11; 44:6-8; 45:5,21;
Ps. 90:2; Rom. 1:21-25; Num.
23:19; Hosea 11:9; Job 9:32,33
- **Minimize Sin:** (no original sin, Man is basically good)
Rom. 3:23; 1 John 1:8-10; James
2:10; 1 John 3:4,5; Eccl. 7:20;
Rom. 5:12
- **Distort/replace the authority of Scripture or teach false doctrine contrary to the Bible:**
2 Pet. 3:16,17; Rev. 22:18,19; Prov.
30:5,6; 1 Pet. 1:23; Acts 17:2,3,11; Heb. 4:12;

