



The KEY to Heaven?

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Everyone seems to possess a **DIFFERENT** key that will get you into heaven. And, there doesn't seem to be a shortage of people willing to **PURCHASE** (\$) that key. Since the days of the **PTL** (Praise the Lord) Club fiasco, there has been an **EXPLOSION** of "prosperity" gospel movements acquiring **NEW** merchandise (people) daily (**2 Peter 2:3**).

God gave his Son, Jesus, the following words to **WARN** us: "**Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves**" (**Matthew 7:15**). They are **NOT** characterized as *any* wolf, but God reveals that *this* wolf is "**RAVENOUS**." It means "*greedily predacious; voracious or rapacious*." See **Figure 1** for word definitions.

As prophesied, people have been taken "hostage" by *religions* that have *distorted* and "...*changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature (MAN & BEAST) more than the Creator...*" (**Romans 1:25**). The world is filled with Satan's ministers seeking to profit from gullible people, who are ever learning, but without knowledge.



pre-da-cious 1. Living by seizing or taking prey; predatory. 2. Given to victimizing, plundering, or destroying for one's own gain

vo-ra-cious 1. Consuming or eager to consume great amounts of food; ravenous. 2. Having or marked by an insatiable appetite for an activity or a pursuit

ra-pa-cious 1. Taking by force; plundering. 2. Greedy; ravenous. See Synonyms at voracious. 3. Subsisting on live prey.

Figure 1

Through the words of his Son Jesus, God has made it **EASY** for man to recognize *spiritual wolves*. But man won't believe God, but instead heaps to himself "**TEACHERS, having itching ears,**" and loving a message of "*smooth things*" rather than one of *repentance*.

God's Warnings of Spiritual Wolves:

- They are **POPULAR**: "**Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you! for so did their fathers to the false prophets**" (**Luke 6:26**). When you are "*of the world,*" the world will love its own (**John 15:19**).
- They are focused on **GREED**: "*...through covetousness shall they with feigned (pretended) words make merchandise of you...*" (**2 Peter 2:3**). Without your contributions, these "ministries" would fall apart.
- They have **HUGE** followings: "**And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of**" (**2 Peter 2:2**). In spite of the words of Jesus: "...few are chosen....," the "**MANY**" believe they have seen the light. "*...if therefore the LIGHT that is in thee be DARKNESS, how GREAT is that darkness*" (**Matt. 6:23**).

- They are **TEACHERS**: Yet "*...the anointing (the Spirit of God) which ye have received of him (God) abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things...*" (**1 John 2:27**). Every sinner that repents and comes to God, receives the promise of the Spirit (**Galatians 3:14**) dwelling in him or her. Believers do not **NEED** man as their teacher because the Holy Ghost teaches us **ALL THINGS**.
- They are great **SPEAKERS**: But God says, "*...and their mouth speaketh great swelling words, having men's persons in admiration because of advantage*" (**Jude 1:16**). But all will give account for every word spoken on Judgment Day.