

The Great Deception... Matt. 7:21-23

"Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. ²² On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?' ²³ And then will I declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.'

2 Tim. 3:1-5: "But understand this, that in the last days there will come times of difficulty. ²For people will be lovers of self, lovers of money, proud, arrogant, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, ³ heartless, unappeasable, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not loving good, ⁴treacherous, reckless, swollen with conceit, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, ⁵***having the appearance of godliness, but denying its power.*** Avoid such people."

What happens in a person life to be @ this point?

Self-understanding: They are full of religious activities, not Biblical Truth.

92% say they do believe in God.

2 Peter 1:3-11

Consumed with 'experiences', 'feelings', always concerned with the supernatural.

Self-deception: * My good out weighs my bad...

- 2 Cor. 13:5 "Examine yourselves, to see whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Or do you not realize this about yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you?—unless indeed you fail to meet the test!"
- Rom. 3:12 "All have turned aside; together they have become worthless; no one does good, not even one."
- I John 1:8-9 "If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

What Needs to Happen?

- John 8:31 "So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples,"
- I Tim. 4:16 "Keep a close watch on yourself and on the teaching. Persist in this, for by so doing you will save both yourself and your hearers."