

Spotting A Counterfeit

If I gave you a counterfeit \$20 dollar bill, could you recognize it and expose it?

For most of us it would depend upon how close the counterfeit resembled a real \$20.

But an expert could spot a false bill from the real no matter close it resembled the real thing.

Can you spot false spirituality?

Should Christians be able to spot the counterfeits?

We will look at 13 counterfeits mentioned in the New Testament

13 Counterfeits

- **False Worship** Matt 15:8-9
- **False Christs** Matt 24:4-5
- **False Apostles** 2Cor 11:13
- **False Ministers** 2Cor 11:14-15
- **False Gospel** Gal 1:6-12
- **False Christians** Gal 2:3-4
- **False Miracles** 2Thess 2:7-12
- **False Knowledge** 1Tim 6:20
- **False Commandments** Titus 1:13-14
- **False Doctrines** Hebrews 13:9
- **False Religion** James 1:26
- **False Teachers** 2Peter 2:1
- **False Prophets** 1John 4:1

The Truth

- If God tells us something is false, and we should avoid it, by necessity God must have given us all the information we need to identify the true from the counterfeit.
- We must be careful not to delude ourselves because of what we want the truth to be.
 - John 9:24-34