

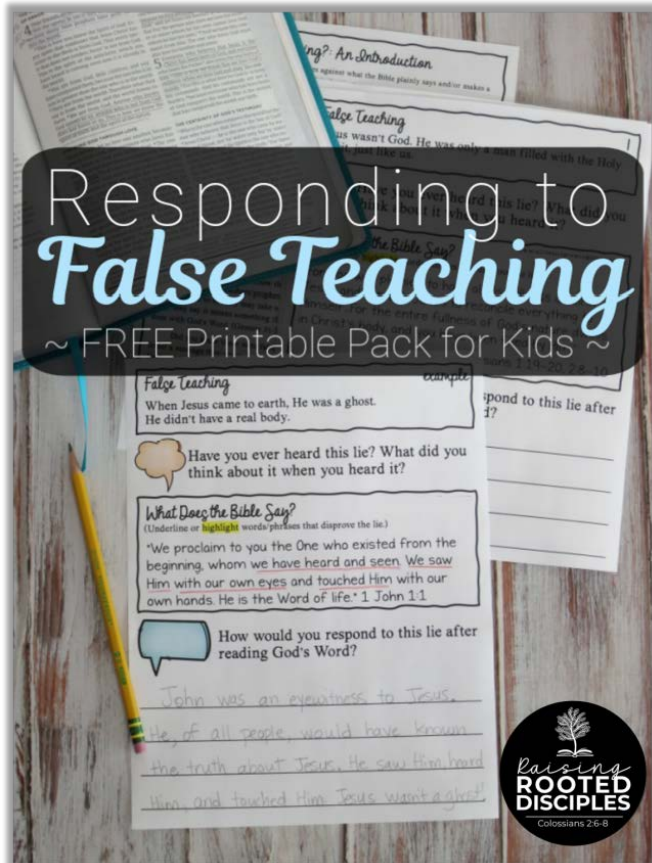
Responding to False Teaching

False teaching is *rampant* in the church today, but it's nothing new! False teachers and prophets have been around since the Old Testament. Take some time to read Ezekiel 13 if you don't believe me.

We **MUST** teach our kids to read God's word, know God's Word, and believe God's Word! That's what these simple pages are designed to help you do.

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Want to teach your kiddos how to combat the false teachers who often twist Scripture? Teach your kiddos how to use the "top-down method" to read and understand what the Bible really says.

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Understanding the Bible

Storyline of the Bible
1. Creation
2. Fall
3. Redemption

Five Questions

Context Clues

Name that Genre!

Genre	Characteristics	Examples
Genesis
Exodus
Leviticus
Numbers
Deuteronomy
Joshua
Judges
Ruth
1 Samuel
2 Samuel
1 Kings
2 Kings
1 Chronicles
2 Chronicles
Ezra
Nehemiah
Esther
Lamentations
Psalms
Proverbs
Ecclesiastes
Song of Solomon
Isaiah
Jeremiah
Lamentations
Ezekiel
Daniel
Hosea
Joel
Amos
Obadiah
Jonah
Micah
Zephaniah
Haggai
Zachariah
Malachi
Mattew
Mark
Luke
John
Acts
Romans
1 Corinthians
2 Corinthians
Galatians
Ephesians
Philippians
Colossians
1 Thessalonians
2 Thessalonians
1 Peter
2 Peter
1 John
2 John
3 John
Jude
Revelation

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What is False Teaching?: An Introduction

False teaching is any teaching that goes against what the Bible plainly says and/or makes a claim about God, Jesus, or the Holy Spirit that isn't true.

What Does the Bible Say about False Teaching?

Followers of Jesus are told in Scripture to test the spirits of those who claim to be speaking on God's behalf. My mind immediately goes to 1 John 4:1-6 and 1 Thessalonians 5:20-22. In both passages we are told to put man's word to the test. And we are specially told in 1 John how to do this. Take a minute to read those verses now. Some questions you can ask to "test" the spirits are: Do these people deny God's Word? Do they deny that Jesus is God in the flesh?

The topic of false teaching is *extremely* important to God. It's so important that out of the twenty-seven books in the New Testament, twenty of them warn us about false teachers and false teaching! (*Another Gospel?* by Alisa Childers) Peter spends an entire chapter in 2 Peter warning the church about false teachers while Jude pivots from writing about our common faith in Jesus to writing his entire letter about false teachers who had crept their way *into* the church.

Jesus called false teachers and false prophets wolves dressed as sheep. (Matthew 7:15-23) He tells us we can recognize them by their bad fruit, and He warns us not to be deceived by them. *We need to be armed with the truth found in God's Word by reading it daily.* If we don't know the truth, we may easily be deceived, or tricked, by the lies. After all, false teachers/prophets often take the truth (or something that sounds good), then add a lie to it. They may take a Scripture verse out of context and twist its meaning. They may say it means something that it doesn't. This is exactly what our adversary, Satan, does with God's Word. (Genesis 3:1-7 and Matthew 4:1-11)

Did you know there were false prophets in the Old Testament? They were giving Israel a message the people wanted to hear, but they weren't speaking God's message. In the book of Ezekiel, chapter 13, God spends time speaking against these people. Even in the early church, as John was writing 1 John, he was dealing with false teachers who had slipped their way into the church and were spreading lies about Jesus. Are there false teachers and false prophets today? (Absolutely! Just turn on your TV!) We must first armor up with truth so we can recognize the bad fruit of false teachers. Then, we must be willing to speak the truth in love, seasoned with the salt of grace. (Colossians 4:6)

Ideas for Using these Pages

I recommend that you do these pages with your learners OR let them work in small groups of 3-4 (at the most). Afterwards, regroup so you can hear their thoughts and redirect if they are confused.

1. At the top of each of these pages is a false teaching or lie that has, or still is being told, by false teachers/prophets. Read the false teaching aloud.

False Teaching *example*

When Jesus came to earth, He was a ghost.
He didn't have a real body.

Have you ever heard this lie? What did you think about it when you heard it?

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(Underline or highlight words/phrases that disprove the lie.)

"We proclaim to you the One who existed from the beginning, whom we have heard and seen. We saw Him with our own eyes and touched Him with our own hands. He is the Word of life." 1 John 1:1

How would you respond to this lie after reading God's Word?

2. Ask your learners if they've ever heard this lie before. What did they think of it? (The example on [p. 5](#) is the lie that was beginning to be told by those in the early church at the time John was alive.)

If this isn't a lie they've heard before, ask them what they think of it now that they are hearing it for the first time. If time allows, maybe discuss how the truth has been twisted into a lie.

3. Read the Bible verses or passage aloud. If you can read the entire context, I HIGHLY recommend doing that, as I've shortened some of the passages to fit into the space.

Underline or highlight the words or phrases within the passage that help you see the lie in the false teaching. In this example, John says he heard, saw, and touched Jesus.

4. At the bottom, give learners time to respond to the lie. How would they "refute" or "test" the false teaching in light of the truth found in God's Word? If kids would rather talk through this instead of writing it down, go for it!

Extend it!

1. Use the verses on the page as a springboard to find even more verses and passages in the that refute the lie. Use cross references or Bible concordances to help you find more.

2. Let learners role play refuting the lies with someone who pretends to hold to the false teaching.

3. Use blank page on [p. 22](#) of this file to create your own page(s).

False Teaching

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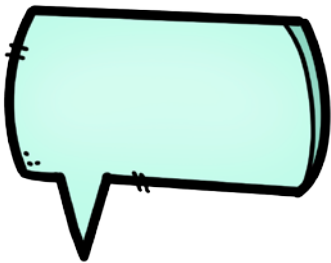
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False Teaching

Jesus wasn't God. He was only a man filled with the Holy Spirit, just like us.



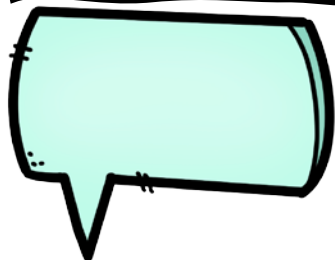
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“For God was pleased to have all His fullness dwell in Jesus and through Jesus to reconcile everything to Himself...For the entire fullness of God’s nature dwells in Christ’s body, and you have been filled by Him.”

Colossians 1:19–20, 2:8–10



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False Teaching

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Jesus was a created being. He is not eternal like God.



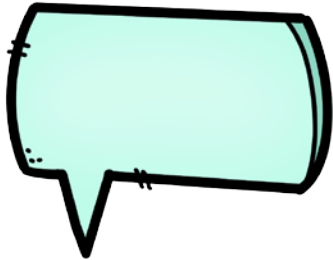
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“He [Jesus] is the visible image of the invisible God...everything was created by Him in heaven and on the earth...He is before all things and by Him all things hold together.”
Colossians 1:15–17



How would you respond to this lie after reading God’s Word?

False Teaching

3

All paths lead to God. You can get to Heaven no matter which “god” you believe in.



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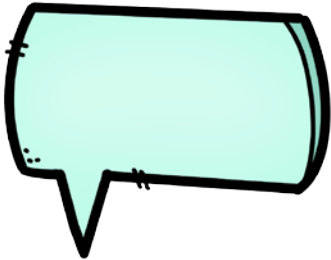
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“Lord,” Thomas said, “How can we know the way [to Heaven]?”

“Jesus told him, ‘I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.’”

John 14:6



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False Teaching

4

Follow your heart. It will never steer you wrong.



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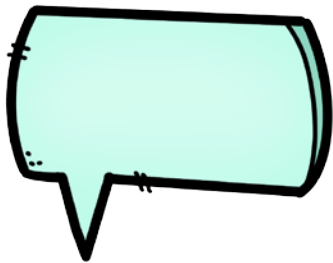
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“The heart is more deceitful than anything else, and incurable—who can understand it? I, the LORD, examine the mind, I test the heart to give to each according to what his actions deserve.”

Jeremiah 17:9–10



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False Teaching

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Once you're a Christian, you'll never have any more problems. Your life will be perfect.



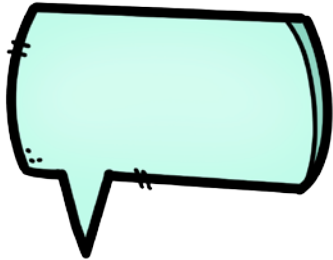
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"Consider it great joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you experience various trials [problems] because you know that the testing of your faith produces endurance. And let endurance have its full effect, so that you may be mature and complete, lacking nothing." James 1:2-4



How would you respond to this lie after reading God's Word?

False Teaching

6

God is just a mean guy in the sky waiting to zap you when you do something bad.



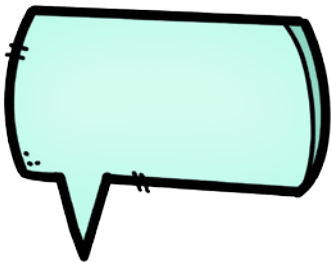
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“A person’s steps are ordered by the LORD, and He [the LORD] delights in every step of his path. Though he falls, he will not be overwhelmed because the LORD upholds him with His Hand.” Psalm 37:23–24



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False Teaching

7

All Christians should be able to heal, prophecy, and speak in tongues. If you can't, you're probably not a Christian.



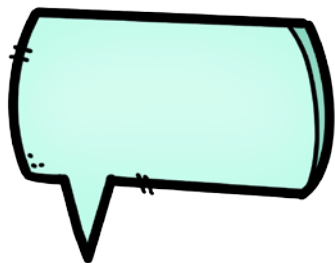
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“Now as we have many parts in our [physical] body, all the parts do not have the same function. In the same way, we who are many are one body in Christ and members of one another. According to the grace given to us, we all have different gifts.” Romans 12:4–6



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False Teaching

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All people are God's children, and everyone goes to Heaven when they die.



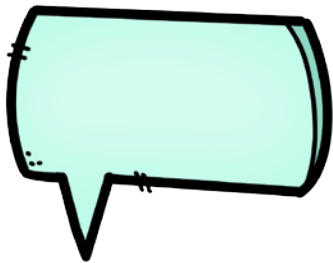
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"To all who received Him [Jesus], He gave them the right to be children of God, to those who believe in His Name, who were born, not of natural descent or of the will of man, but born of God." John 1:12



How would you respond to this lie after reading God's Word?

False Teaching

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Jesus was just a good prophet like Moses or Isaiah. He wasn't *actually* God.



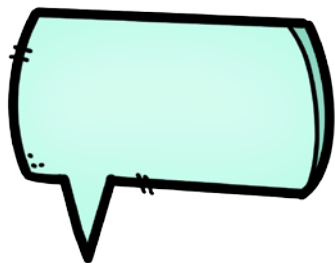
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“In the beginning was the Word [Jesus], and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning...The Word became flesh and lived among us. We observed His glory, the glory of the one and only Son of the Father, full of grace and truth.” John 1:1, 14



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False Teaching

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If you do more good than bad in your life, you get to go to Heaven.



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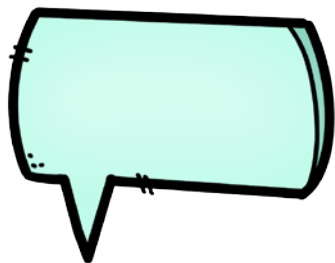
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“There is no one righteous, not even one. There is no one who seeks God...For no one will be justified in His sight by the works of the law...For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.”

Romans 3:10–11, 23



How would you respond to this lie after reading God’s Word?

False Teaching

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Jesus didn't rise from the dead. No one can do that!



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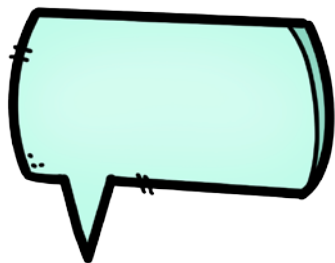
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"I [Paul] passed on to you as most important what I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that He was buried, that He was raised to life on the third day according to the Scriptures..."

1 Corinthians 15:3-4



How would you respond to this lie after reading God's Word?

False Teaching

12

You should live your best life now. You only have one life to live, after all. Live it up and just have fun!



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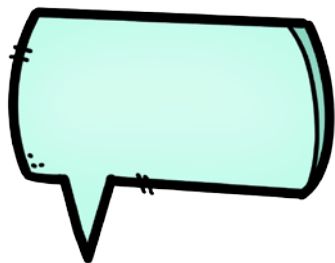
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“Calling to the crowd, Jesus said to them, ‘If anyone wants to follow after me, let him deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life because of Me and the gospel will save it.’”

Mark 8:34–35



How would you respond to this lie after reading God’s Word?

False Teaching

13

God is a loving God who would *never* let anyone go to that bad place (hell).



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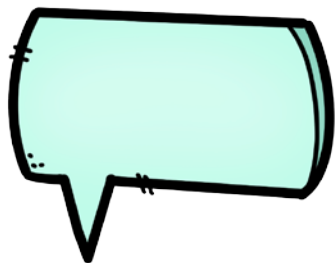
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“Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven...Many will say to me on that day, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your Name and in your Name drive out demons, and in your Name perform many miracles?’ Then I will tell them plainly, ‘I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!’”

Matthew 7:21-22



How would you respond to this lie after reading God’s Word?

False Teaching

We should blindly believe and follow what any and all church leaders say. We should never test what they say.

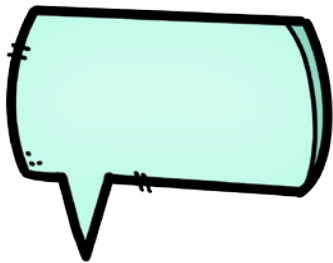


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“Dear friends, do not believe everyone who claims to speak by the Spirit. You must test them to see if the spirit they have comes from God. For there are many false prophets in the world.” 1 John 4:1



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False Teaching

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Jesus never claimed to be God.



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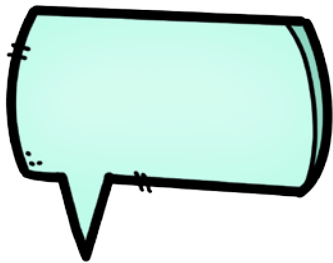
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“If you know me [Jesus], you will also know my Father. From now on, you do know Him and have seen Him...The one who has seen Me has seen the Father. Don't you believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me?”

John 14:7-10



How would you respond to this lie after reading God's Word?

False Teaching

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We can sin as much as we want as a Christian because God will forgive us anyway.



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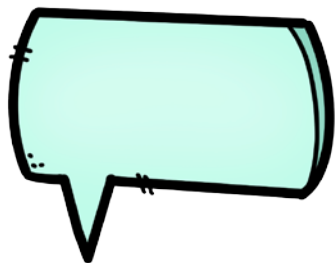
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“What should we say then? Should we continue to live in sin so that God’s grace may multiply?

Absolutely not! How can we who died to sin still live in it?”

Romans 6:1–2



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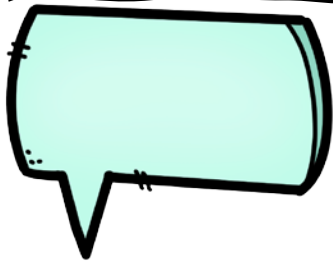
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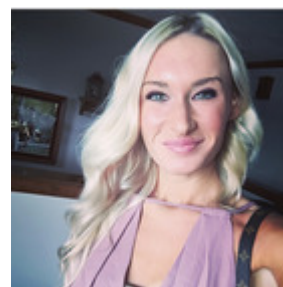
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