

Why are so many wrong?

It is usual to let numbers decide a case. A simple majority will normally decide what is correct and what is wrong. In government, law and commerce all run on a majority system. This is not so with religion. There is a single authority in our hands to decide what is correct, and that authority is the Bible. If what is being proposed or taught is not in agreement with the Bible, then it is simply wrong!

Consider these words of Jesus in Matthew 7:13, 14

Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

So it is the minority who will carry the Truth of God's Word and the Gospel into the Kingdom Age.

Departure from Bible Teaching prophesied

The Bible contains a number of prophecies which tell us that large numbers of people would reject the Truth of God's Word. Jesus even questioned whether the Gospel Truth would survive until his return. Luke 18:8

... Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?

And the Apostle Paul, as he journeyed toward Jerusalem for the last time, told the believers in Ephesus these words. Acts 20:30

Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them.

These were men Paul had converted and respected and who were part of this group of believers in Ephesus. Paul knew them personally, yet they were to cause the Truth of God's word to become corrupted. Less than thirty years later, Jesus later says to these Ephesians in Revelation 2: 4

Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love.

So, in the space of about thirty years, Paul's prophecy had come true!

The Apostle Peter also wrote of this departure from Bible Truth. 2 Peter 3:3-4

Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation.

And again Paul's words to his "son" in the faith in 1 Timothy 4:1, 2

Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;

So we have the testimony of three - Jesus, Paul and Peter - who all spoke of the time when Gospel Truth would fall victim to convenience and error.

But what can we do about it? Well, we can't undo the past, but we can do something for ourselves and for those we know. We can search out the Bible Truth of the Gospel message, adopt it and use only the Bible as the basis of our beliefs and faith.

It wasn't easy for those in the first century to maintain their faith, but the apostles and those close to them did and spoke out against future errors!

In our times, the biggest problems facing God's Word and His Truth are apathy, ignorance and modern science. Apathy is the lack of interest in the things, in Biblical terms, the things of God, ignorance, not knowing and probably not wanting to know.

Modern science is about proving mankind is right. Paul speaks about this in 1 Timothy 6:20

O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane and vain babblings, and oppositions of science falsely so called:

We must follow Paul's advice!

Note: all quotes are from the King James Version of the Bible.