

**Discussion guide for:
"The High Cost of Error"
(Faith that Doesn't Quit session #5)**



Opening up

Can recall a "Stern Warning" you received as a child? Did it help you in life?

Observing the scriptures

Read 2 Peter 2:12-2

List some of the ways Peter describes false teachers, why does he use such strong language?

As you think of a time you were deceived by someone, what were some of the factors that led to your being entrapped?

Review the list of "Rules for Truth Detection"

1. If the teaching doesn't "seem right" - watch out.
2. If the teacher doesn't seem sincere - watch out.
3. If there is a minimum amount of Bible and a maximum amount of conjecture - watch out.
4. If there isn't a chapter and verse - watch out.
5. If teaching elevates man rather than God - watch out.
6. If there is a "hidden meaning" - watch out.
7. If the teaching leans toward extreme freedom in behavior - watch out.
8. If the teaching leans toward extreme legalism in behavior - watch out.
9. If the teaching mars the doctrine of Christ - watch out.

Which of these rules do you think are particularly practical and why?

How can you express your commitment to the truth?