The Religious Apostate

2 Peter 2:17-22

Introduction:

What are the characteristics of a religious apostate?

I. *A Religious Apostate* **Advertises Much, but Delivers Nothing** (v.17)

II. *A Religious Apostate* **Impresses with His Words, while Luring others into Sin** (v.18)

III. *A Religious Apostate* **Promises Freedom, but Lives as a Slave** (v.19)

IV. *A Religious Apostate* **Possesses Full Knowledge of Christ, but Lacks True Faith in Christ** (v.20a)

V. *A Religious Apostate* **Knows the Truth, but Turns from It to his own Peril** (v.20b-21)

VI. *A Religious Apostate* **Does What his Nature Dictates** (v. 22)