

The Disaster of the Deception of the Sin Nature

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'The Sin Nature Allures Believers by Means of False Teaching' Beware of False Teachers

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(Point I. and all sub points see previous note sheets)

I. **Warnings** to Beware of False Teachers

[Points A. and B. and all sub points see previous note sheets]

C. Peter and Jude's **Warnings** Concerning False Teachers 2 Pet. 2:1-19; Jude 4-19

[Points 1. through 6. and all sub points see previous note sheets]

7. False Teachers May Claim to Receive **Divine Revelation Directly** from God
Jude 8

"In like manner also these dreamers defile the flesh, despise dominion, and speak evil of dignities." Jude 8

: The Word '**Dreamers**' (ἐνυπνιάζομενοι) English Transliteration **enupniazomenoi** Is a Participle and Has **Two** Different **Possible** Interpretations, as Can Be Seen Even by Comparing Different English Translations

: ***"In like manner these filthy (the Greek word filthy is not in text) dreamers defile the flesh. . . ." (KJV; NKJV)***

"In the very same way these dreamers pollute their own bodies. . ." (NIV)

"Yet in the same way these dreamers defile the flesh. . ." (NRSV)

"Yet in like manner these people also relying on their dreams, defile the flesh. . ." (ESV)

"Yet in the same way these men, also by dreaming, defile the flesh. . ." (NASB)

- a. The Participle Translated Dreamers Could be Explained as an Adjectival Participle, Nominative Case; What That means Is the Word *Dreamers* Is to be Interpreted as a Noun and the Subject of the Sentence Modified by the Demonstrative Pronoun '**These**' Just Like KJV, NKJV, NIV and NRSV = These **Dreamers**

- b. The Greek Participle (ἐνυπνιάζομενοι) English Transliteration **enupniazomenoi** Translated *Dreamers* Could Be Interpreted as an Adverbial Participle as in the ESV and NASB and Could be Interpreted as an Adverbial Causal Participle, Indicating the **Grounds** or **Reason** for the Actions of: *Defiling, Despising, and Speaking Evil* Like the ESV and NASB of Mt. 1:19 'being just'
- c. I favor Interpreting *Dreamers* as an Adverbial **Causal** Participle Because:
- 1) The Interpretation Is **Consistent** with the Use of the Word (ἐνυπνιάζομαι) English Transliteration *enupniazomai* in the Only Other Passage the Word is Used in the Scriptures and the Cognate Noun ἐνύπσιον English Transliteration Which Express That Dreams Were Used as a Medium for True **Revelation** from God cf Gen. 20:36; 31:10-11, 24; 37:6, 8, 9, 10; Gen. 40:5-9; 41:1-44 Nu. 12:6; Judges 7:13; 1 Sam. 23:8; 1 Ki.3:5 Dan. 1:17; 2:1-49 Dan. 4:27; Mt. 1:20; 2:12-13; Acts 16:9; 18:9
 - 2) Dreams Were Accepted by the People of Israel and the Early Church as a Legitimate Means of **Receiving Divine** Revelation Gen 20:36; 31:10-11, 24; 37:6, 8, 9, 10; 40:5-9; 41:1-44; Nu. 12:6; Judges 7:13-15; 1 Sam. 23:8; Dan. 1:17; 2:1-49; 4:27; Mt. 1:20; Mt. 2:12-13; Acts 16:9; 18:9
 - 3) False Prophets **Falsely** Asserted They Received Revelation from God Through Dreams cf Jer. 23:25; 32:32; 27:9; Zech. 10:2
 - 4) This Interpretation is in Accordance with Paul's Warning in Col. 2:18 about People Taking Their Stand on the Basis of '**Visions**' They Have Seen
 - 5) The False Teachers Had to Claim Some **Source** of **Authority** for Their Licentious Lifestyles and Their Rejection of Authority and Slandorous Insults of the Glorious Ones and Claims of Receiving Revelation from God Via Dreams Could Have Been Used as the **Source** of Their Authority
- d. '***These Dreamers***' Refer to the False Teachers of Verse 4 and Expresses They Will *Falsely* Claim They Receive **Direct Revelation** from God by Dreams or Mystic Forms of Communication