

WARNINGS

Those who have studied the matter tell us that there are about 2,500 warnings in the Bible against one's wandering away from God to be finally lost in hell. SOME CAUSES FOR THIS

1. Intellectual difficulties.

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- (a) Paul's warning to Timothy, 1:Tim. 1:18-
- (b) The disposition to arrya reason again revelation has ever been a characteristic of man.

2. Doctrine difficulties.

- (a) Satan sometimes deceives by prompting men to a misunderstanding of that which they claim to accept.
2 Tim. 2:16-19.

3. Worldliness.

- (a) Romans 12:2; 1 Pet. 1:13-16; 1John 2:15
- (b) The story of Demas:
 - 1. "Marcus, Aristarchus; Demas; Lucas; my fellow laborers." Phile. 24.
 - 2. "Luke the beloved physician and Demas greet you." Col. 4:14.
 - 3. "For Demas hath forsaken me having loved this present world." 2 Tim. 4:10

4. Evil associates.

The crowd with which we consort eventually becomes the common denominator of our conduct. Luke 22:54; 1Cor. 5:6; 15:33

