

Wolves Not Welcome

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Characters: Teacher Wolf, Sam, and Faith

Narrator: It's a strange day at Ephesus First Church of Paul. Teacher Wolf is a false teacher who is trying to lead the church astray. Sam and Faith are Christians and members of the church. Let's see what happens.

Teacher Wolf: I'm so excited to be your guest teacher today. To start, I'm going to need a couple of volunteers to help me out. (*Pause.*) Come on. Don't be shy.

Sam: I'll help.

Teacher Wolf: Good. Come on up. This is going to be a time of questions and answers.

Faith: Can I help, too?

Teacher Wolf: Sure! Come on up! But let's pray before we start.

Faith: I'll pray. (*Bowing head.*) Lord, may all we do honor you. To you be the glory. Amen.

Teacher Wolf: OK. We are going to start off with some simple questions. All you need to do is answer them! And then we'll discuss the answers. I think you're all going to learn a lot today. We'll start with an easy question. Who was Jesus of Nazareth?

Sam: That's easy! Jesus is the Son of God.

Faith: Yes! And Jesus was God in the flesh, Emmanuel, God with us.

Teacher Wolf: No! You're wrong! Jesus was a good man. He was a teacher. And many believe He was a prophet. But you are wrong to say He was God or the Son of God.

Faith: What? Excuse me, Mr. Wolf, can you show me that in the Bible?

Sam: The Bible clearly teaches that Jesus *is* God. Jesus said He was God. That's why he was killed. He died and rose again on the third day just like He said He would. He really IS God!

Teacher Wolf: Well, we can't always go by what the Bible says. I have read many things. And you need to trust what I say. Let's move on! How many ways are there to get to heaven—to have eternal life?

Sam: One way—through Jesus. He said, "I am the way, the truth and the life. No man comes to the Father except by me."

Faith: I agree! We can only get to heaven by God's grace through faith in Jesus Christ and what the Bible says about Him.

Teacher Wolf: Nope! You're both wrong AGAIN! Don't you know that there are many ways to God? The Bible just tells about one of the many ways men can get to heaven. After all, it can't be true that there is only ONE way! God wouldn't do that!

Sam: With all due respect, Mr. Wolf, you are confused. God is clear in His Word that salvation comes from Jesus Christ alone. He is the only way to eternal life in heaven.

Faith: That's right! Jesus came to take the punishment for all those who would believe in Him. He was the perfect sacrifice. He's the only one who can forgive sins and make sinners right with God!

Teacher Wolf: Well, that is your problem. You don't know that there are other books besides the Bible that have information about spiritual things. The Bible is only one source of truth.

Faith: I don't agree, Mr. Wolf. The Bible is God's Word. No other book is written by God through the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.

Sam: The Word of the Lord is settled in heaven. It does not change. You have to be careful not to add to or take away from God's Word, Mr. Wolf.

Teacher Wolf: Hmmmm, you seem to know what you're talking about! Usually people like the things I tell them.

Faith: Mr. Wolf, we have had solid teaching at this church for years—teaching based on the Bible alone! We don't just say we are Christians and accept what everyone says as truth.

Sam: That's right! We know that God warned the church through His apostle Paul that all Christians need to be prepared for false teachers who want to change the Word of God.

Faith: So, we study the Bible. We read it and memorize it and talk about it with one another. That way we will know what is true and what is not!

Sam: Mr. Wolf, we believe the Word of God is living and active, sharper than any double-edged sword. It helps us know the truth from lies. And it is the only book we can go to for answers!

Faith: That's right! Your false teachings aren't welcome here! And we will pray for you, that you will come to understand that the Bible is the only word of God and the truth!

Teacher Wolf: (*Walking out*) Well, I see my teachings won't work at this church. You trust and know the Bible. And you aren't afraid to admit it!