**Title:**KCCO: True or False?

**Scripture:**2 Peter 2:1-10a

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**Big Idea:**There are personal and eternal ramifications with our using God’s resources to evaluate truth and error.

**Outline**

1.  True Christianity does not require accurate doctrine and patterns of obedience: FALSE (1)  
2.  Doctrinal and moral errors will be obvious: FALSE (2-3)  
3.  History reveals and establishes expectations for God’s dealings with us: TRUE (4-8)  
4.  Both God and we have roles to play in the evaluation of truth and error: TRUE (9-10a)

***WHAT DID YOU LEARN?***

1. Consider the New Testament. Outside of Acts, is the pattern more “masses” that follow the accurate truth of the Gospel or “few”? Why is this? How can we draw practical parallels in our own culture today? What would be some Scripture you could give that educates your answer for “why” the pattern is *few* who follow the accurate truth of the Gospel rather than *masses*?

2. How can you differentiate between whether a circumstance is a “trial” or a “temptation”? What is God’s role and your role in the midst of those events? What is God’s objective outcome for you with those events? What is the Evil One’s objective outcome for you with those events?

***HOW WILL YOU APPLY IT?***

**Confess**

1. Verse 1 references *destructive heresies*…to what categories were the term heresies referring? Are there glaring or even slight heresies in these categories in *your*life? What is the “litmus” test for self-evaluation given in this verse?

2. What are some popular philosophies or counsel that are not biblically sound, but you have or may still be adhering to? What makes those philosophies or counsel so attractive? What is the biblical truth that counters that philosophy(s)? What is liberating about that biblical truth?

**Renew Your Mind**

1. You are or were “under punishment,” indulging “in the lust of defiling passion,” and despising authority. Have you repented and believed in Christ, resulting in escaping the punishment of the wrath of God? If you are saved, what are the blessings you experiencing with Christ? As a result, how are you purposefully fleeing the “lust of defiling passion” and embracing the authority of Christ as Lord of your life?

2. Read 1 Corinthians 10:13. What hope can you gain when thinking about how God rescues the godly from trials? What biblical truths can you remember while facing these trials?

***Live It Out***

Identify 3 stories of God’s dealings with the obedience or disobedience of mankind in Scripture (other than the three in this passage!). What do these stories tell you about: 1) God’s character; 2) man’s responsibility in light of God’s character? Identify 3 events in your life where God is teaching you something about His character and your responsibility. List 10 things that are good about your trial (Ex. God is changing \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in me. I am able to impact a person who is struggling with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with my experience. God is teaching me about His character in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.) Find a way to use what you are learning and growing in to share the Gospel with another person this week.

***READ AHEAD***

Read Ahead - 2 Peter 2:10b-22…ask questions of this passage. What are some statements or verses that are not easy to understand from just a cursory read?