

The image features a dramatic scene with a bright sunburst breaking through a cloudy sky. A large, dark, jagged shape, resembling a torn piece of fabric or a hole in the sky, dominates the right side. A silhouette of a person is shown falling away from this shape, with arms and legs outstretched. The overall mood is one of loss or spiritual struggle.

# Why People Fall Away From The Faith

*1 Timothy 4:1-5*

# ***Apostasy Was Prophesied***

*1 Timothy 4:1a*

- **What is the meaning of “fall away from the faith” in verse 1?**
- **Please explain what is apostasy.**
- **Who are the dogs who return to their own vomit in 2 Peter 2:22?**

# ***Apostasy Is Occurring***

*1 Timothy 4:1b*

- **1 Timothy 4:1 says, “But the Spirit explicitly says that in later times.” When are the later times?**
- **What do these verses say about the last days?**
  - **Hebrews 1:1-2**
  - **1 John 2:18**
  - **2 Peter 3:3**

# ***Source of Apostasy***

*1 Timothy 4:1c*

- **Were apostates ever believers in Jesus Christ (Matthew 13:20-22; 1 John 2:19)?**
- **According to 1 Timothy 4:1 what is the source of apostasy?**
- **Who motivates apostasy (2 Corinthians 4:3-4; 11:13-14)?**

# ***People Promote Apostasy***

*1 Timothy 4:2*

- **Who do the demonic forces use to spread their false teaching (1 Timothy 4:2)?**
- **What is a major characteristic of false teachers according to Ezekiel 13:2-10?**
- **How did God respond according to Ezekiel 14:6-8?**

# ***Error of Apostasy***

*1 Timothy 4:3-5*

- **What are Paul's two examples of false doctrines of demons in verse 3?**
- **What is the error of apostasy?**

# ***Conclusion***

- **What does 1 Peter 1:4-5 tells us is true about every believer ?**
- **Apostasy occurs when unbelievers \_\_\_\_\_ what they have heard and abandon it.**
- **Although God elects people to be saved, what does God want you to do to help someone not become an apostate?**