Pseudos

John 8:44 Ye are of *your* father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

When the devil speaks, he speaks a pseudo, a lie. He is a liar, a falsifier. Pseudo-logy is the study or art of speaking falsely.

We know that when an author chooses to use another name rather than his true name, he uses a pseudonym. This is a false and fictitious name to conceal his true identity. Mary Ann Evans is better known by her male pseudonym, George Eliot. The well known Mark Twain was actually Samuel Clemens. The pen name was, in truth, a fake name.

A pseudo-scope is an optical instrument that makes the convex look concave and makes the concave appear as convex. It takes the actual and the factual and gives it the opposite image. It deceives the beholder. Though it is a lie, it is easy to believe what one sees.

The apostle Peter spoke of false prophets and false teachers.

2 Peter 2:1 But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction.

According to Strong's Exhaustive Concordance, the Greek word for 'false prophets' is pseudoprophētēs. A false prophet is an impostor, a person who deceives others by pretending to be someone else.

According to Strong's Exhaustive Concordance, the Greek word for 'false teachers' is pseudodidaskalos. A false teacher is a propagator of erroneous doctrine.

The Bible speaks of false Christs, false apostles, and false brethren. They are pseudos, a lie. Paul's words ring loud and true for us today.

- **2 Th. 2:7** For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth *will let*, until he be taken out of the way.
- **2 Th. 2:8** And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:
- **2 Th. 2:9** Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying (pseudos) wonders,
- **2 Th. 2:10** And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.
- **2 Th. 2:11** And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie (pseudos):
- **2 Th. 2:12** That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

John places not only the whatsoever that maketh a lie but also the whosoever that loveth and maketh a lie into the eternal abode of the damned.

Revelation 21:27 And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither *whatsoever* worketh abomination, or *maketh* a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Revelation 22:15 For without *are* dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie

May we love Truth more and more!