

Let's Read:

2 Peter 3

Verses 8-18

How To Grow in Grace

Famous last words from the Apostle Peter before his death in 64-68 A.D.

New International Version

8 But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord, a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day.

9 The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead, he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

10 But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it will be laid bare.[a]

11 Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives

12 as you look forward to the day of God and speed its coming.[b] That day will bring about the destruction of the heavens by fire, and the elements will melt in the heat.

13 But in keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, where righteousness dwells.

14 So then, dear friends, since you are looking forward to this, make every effort to be found spotless, blameless and at peace with him.

15 Bear in mind that our Lord's patience means salvation, just as our dear brother Paul also wrote you with the wisdom that God gave him.

16 He writes the same way in all his letters, speaking in them of these matters. His letters contain some things that are hard to understand, which ignorant and unstable people distort, as they do the other Scriptures, to their own destruction.

17 Therefore, dear friends, since you have been forewarned, be on your guard so that you may not be carried away by the error of the lawless and fall from your secure position.

18 But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen.

1.

The book of 2 Peter was written by the disciple who became an apostle named Peter. After reading the following scriptures about Peter's life and walk with Jesus, what type of man can you say Peter is?

Supporting Bible Verses: Matthew 4:18-20; Matthew 16:16; Matthew 14:22-33; Matthew 17:1-8; John 21:15-19; Acts 2; Acts 12; Acts 15

2.

The themes in the book of 2 Peter are: 1) Warnings against false teachers 2) How to live an upright life in light of the Lord's coming. How is this teaching still relevant today?

3.

2 Peter 3 is meant to teach us 4 main truths to believers to help them stand firm on as they wait on God's plan to unfold. What are those four truths?

1. Teaching us truths about who _____ is.

3. How unbelievers carry themselves in the _____.

2. Teaching us truths about what's to _____.

4. How Christians should wait as _____ unfolds.

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1. What does 2 Peter 3 teach us about who God is?
2. What does 2 Peter 3 teach us about what events are to come?
3. How do unbelievers carry themselves in the last days according to 2 Peter 3?
4. How should Christians wait as God's plan unfolds? What behaviors and fruit should we be producing?
5. What does counterfeit grace look like and do you struggle with counterfeit grace?
6. How do you plan to grow in grace and knowledge this year?

Additional Bible reading:

Matthew 4:3-10; Matthew 24; Revelations 21:1-2; 2 Timothy 3:1-5; Galatians 2:11-14; Galatians 5:4; Ephesians 2:8-9; Colossians 2:13-14; Luke 8:2-3; John 4:1-42; Matthew 9:9-13; Acts 9:1-22

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