

2 Peter 1:5-21

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“grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord  
and Savior Jesus Christ” – 2 Peter 3:18

# 2 Peter 1:12-15 – Peter's desire to remind them of these things

- Question #2

- What was Peter reminding them of? Why was he so determined to remind them? (2 Peter 1:12-15)

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- V.12 – “remind you always of these things”
- V.13 – “stir you up by reminding *you*”
- V.15 – “ensure that you always have a reminder”
  - The reminder is of the truth
    - Even though one knows the truth, it is essential to be reminded of it and to grow in it
      - 2 Timothy 4:1-4 – When one stops growing in the truth it opens the door to be persuaded by error
      - Deuteronomy 6:4-12 – The word is to be taught and learned daily, so we won't forget it

2 Peter 1:16-21 – Being a witness of Jesus and the confirmation of the prophetic word

- Question #3

- What was made known to those Peter is writing to? (2 Peter 1:16)

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- V.16-18 – Witness of Jesus and His majesty
  - V.16 – When Peter taught about Jesus it was not a matter of following a fable (made up story), rather he was a witness to the power of Jesus
  - V.17-18 – Peter witnessed the majesty and glory on the mount of transfiguration
    - Matthew 17:1-7 – The events on the mount pointed toward Jesus having all authority

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- Question #4

- What would these “do well” to do? Why? (2 Peter 1:19)

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- Question #5

- Where did prophecy come from? What does this say about scripture? (2 Peter 1:20-21)

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- V.19-21 – The prophetic word, its origins and its benefits
  - V.19 – The prophetic word is confirmed and has benefit
    - God's word proves itself to be true
    - Psalm 119:105 – The word is a lamp unto our feet and light unto our path
  - V.20-21 – These are words from God, not man
    - We would do good to heed them and grow in them
    - They differ from those of false prophets/teachers



## 2 Peter 2:1-3 – False teachers and their doctrines

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  - They...
    - Bring destruction
      - “secretly bring in destructive heresies”
      - “bring on themselves a swift destruction”
      - “many will follow their destructive ways”
      - “their destruction does not slumber”
        - **What these teach brings about destruction to the soul**

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    - False teachers → “destructive heresies”, “deceptive words” (words not found in the doctrine of Christ – 2 John 9-10)
    - True teachers → words that did not come from “the will of man, but holy men of God spoke *as they were* moved by the Holy Spirit”
      - 1 Peter 4:11 - “*speak* as the oracles of God”

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- Just as there was false prophets in times past “there will be false teachers among you”
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    - Application
      - Proper study to know truth and recognize when you hear error
      - Search the scriptures and compare the words one says with scripture (Acts 17:11)