



2 Peter



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INTRODUCTORY MATTERS

- Authorship: Peter
- Biography: Gospels & Acts
- Date: A.D. 64
- Recipients: Regenerated, Asia Minor, Hebrews
- Place of writing: Babylon
- Occasion for writing: Incipient Gnosticism
- Purpose: Insulation from false teaching
- Structure: 3 parts
- Message: Protection from false teachers
- Unique characteristics: Knowledge



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**2 PETER**

**Chapter 1**



- Introduction (1:1-2)
- Call to Growth (1:3-11)
- Purpose Statement (1:12-15)
- Coming kingdom (1:16-21)

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**DOOM OF FALSE TEACHERS**  
V.4-9

- Judgment of God (6-8) – 3 Historical Examples
  - ◆ Fallen angels (4)
  - ◆ Flood (5)
  - ◆ Sodom & Gomorrah (6-8)
- Conclusion (9)



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Mark 7:20-23

<sup>20</sup> And He was saying, 'That which proceeds out of the man, that is what defiles the man. <sup>21</sup> For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed the evil thoughts, fornications, thefts, murders, adulteries, <sup>22</sup> deeds of coveting and wickedness, as well as deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride and foolishness. <sup>23</sup> All these evil things proceed from within and defile the man.'



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1 Corinthians 6:9-11

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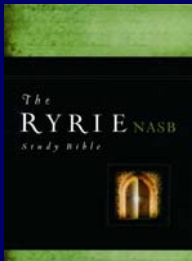
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**Charles Ryrie**  
The Ryrie Study Bible



**2 Peter 2:10.** “2:10 indulge the flesh. Some sexual perversion, likely homosexuality, since he has just written about Sodom and Gomorrah.”

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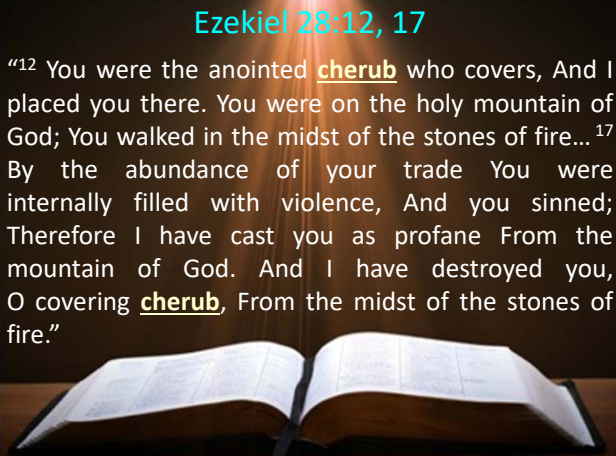
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**Ezekiel 28:12, 17**

“<sup>12</sup> You were the anointed **cherub** who covers, And I placed you there. You were on the holy mountain of God; You walked in the midst of the stones of fire...<sup>17</sup> By the abundance of your trade You were internally filled with violence, And you sinned; Therefore I have cast you as profane From the mountain of God. And I have destroyed you, O covering **cherub**, From the midst of the stones of fire.”



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**ARROGANCE OF FALSE TEACHERS**  
V.10b-11

- Despise Authority
  - ◆ Slander fallen angels
- Daring and Self-willed



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**Satan's Progressive Defeat**

1. Initial eviction from heaven (Isa 14:12-15; Ezek 28:12-17)
2. Eden (Gen 3:15)
3. Pre-diluvian world (1 Pet 3:19-20)
4. Cross (John 12:31; 16:11; Col 2:15; Heb 2:14; 1 John 3:8)
5. Mid point of the Tribulation (Rev 12:9)
6. **Beginning of millennium (Rev 20:2-3)**
7. End of millennium (Rev 20:10)



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**Revelation 20:1-3**

“Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding the key of the abyss and a great chain in his hand. <sup>2</sup>And he laid hold of the dragon, the serpent of old, who is the devil and Satan, and **bound him for a thousand years**; <sup>3</sup>and he threw him into the abyss, and shut *it* and sealed *it* over him, so that he would not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were completed; after these things he must be released for a short time.”



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**ANIMALISTIC NATURE OF FALSE TEACHERS**  
V. 12

- Three contrasts (12a-c)
  - ◆ Unreasoning animals (12a)
  - ◆ Creatures of instinct (12b)
  - ◆ Reviling with no knowledge (12c)
- Their destruction (12d)



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### Purposes of the Local Church



- Glorify God (Eph 3:21)
- **Edify the saints (Eph 4:11-16)**
- Fulfill the Great Commission (Matt 28:18-20)

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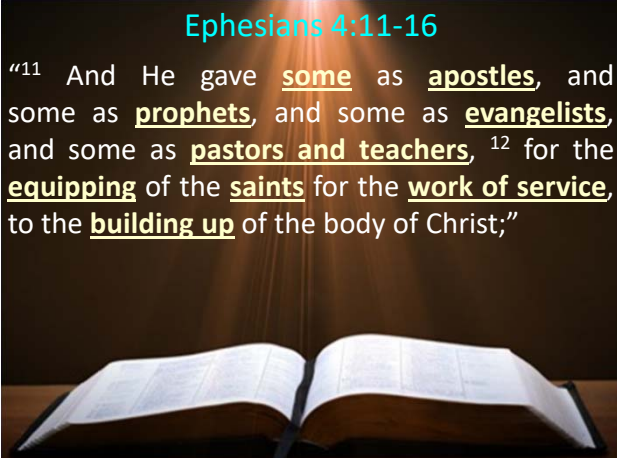
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### Ephesians 4:11-16

“<sup>11</sup> And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers,<sup>12</sup> for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ;”



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“<sup>13</sup> until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ.<sup>14</sup> As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming;”



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**Ephesians 4:11-16**

“<sup>15</sup> but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him who is the head, even Christ,<sup>16</sup> from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.”



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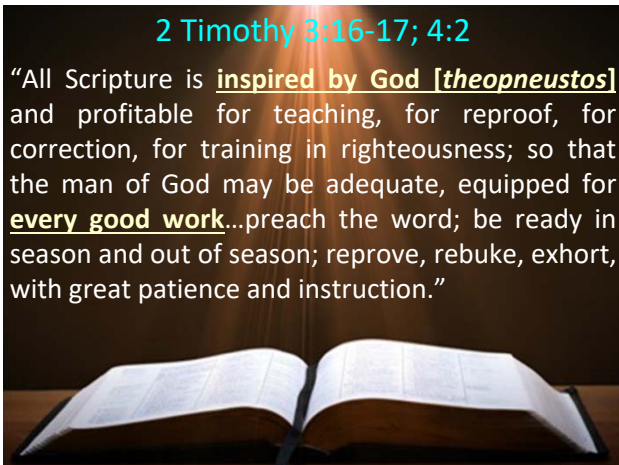
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**2 Timothy 3:16-17; 4:2**

“All Scripture is inspired by God [theopneustos] and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work...preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with great patience and instruction.”



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**EMPTINESS OF FALSE TEACHERS**  
V. 17-19

- Offer Nothing that is Permanently Satisfying
  - ◆ Spring w/o water
  - ◆ Mist



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**Matthew 11:20-24**

<sup>20</sup> “Then He began to denounce the cities in which most of His miracles were done, because they did not repent. <sup>21</sup> ‘Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the miracles had occurred in Tyre and Sidon which occurred in you, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. <sup>22</sup> Nevertheless I say to you, it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon in *the* day of judgment than for...



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**Matthew 11:20-24**

...you.’” <sup>23</sup> “And you, Capernaum, will not be exalted to heaven, will you? You will descend to Hades; for if the miracles had occurred in Sodom which occurred in you, it would have remained to this day. <sup>24</sup> Nevertheless I say to you that it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom in *the* day of judgment, than for you.”



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BELIEVER OR UNBELIEVER?	
BELIEVER	UNBELIEVER
<b>Purchased (1)</b>	<b>Dogs/pigs (22)</b>
<b>Knowledge of Christ (20)</b>	<b>Overcome (20)</b>
<b>Believers can sin (1:8-10)</b>	<b>Other unbelievers (4-6)</b>
<b>Examples of Lot and Balaam (7-8, 15-16)</b>	<b>Last state worse than the first (20)</b>
	<b>Darkness reserved (17)</b>

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