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**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 1 – Call to maturity
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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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**2 PETER 2 OUTLINE**

1. Predicted arrival (2:1a)
2. Devices (2:1b-3)
3. Doom (2:4-9)
4. Depravity (2:10-16)
5. Emptiness (2:17-19)
6. Regression (2:20-22)



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**OVERVIEW OF 2 PETER 3:3-15**



- Heresy of the false teachers (v3-4)
- Motive of the false teachers (v3-4)
- Peter's rebuttal (v5-10)
- Application (v11-15)

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DOCTRINE OF FALSE TEACHERS  
V.3-4

- Deny 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming
  - ◆ Scoffing
  - ◆ Future tense



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**MOTIVE OF FALSE TEACHERS**  
V.3-4

- **Deny 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming**
  - ◆ Lust & denial of judgment
  - ◆ Uniformitarianism/naturalism



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**PETER'S REBUTTAL**  
V.5-10

**Arguments from:**

- History (5-7)
- Scripture (8)
- God's character (9)
- Divine promise (10)



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APPLICATION  
V. 11-15

- Holy Living (11b, 14)
- Evangelism (12)
- Hope (13)
- Patience (15)



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THREE CONCLUDING EXHORTATIONS  
2 Peter 3:15-18

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OVERVIEW 2 PETER 3:15-18



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REGARD THE GRACE OF GOD  
(3:15)

- 2 Pet 3:9
- Paul as an example of God's grace
- God even used Paul to author Scripture

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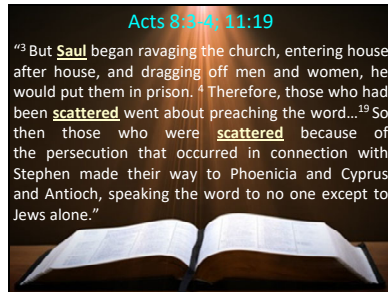
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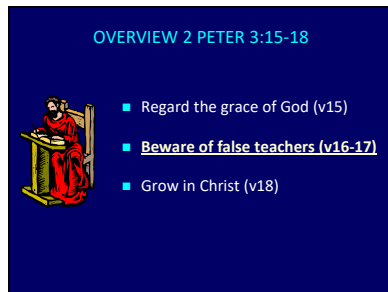
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2 Peter 3:16-17

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BEWARE OF FALSE TEACHERS  
(3:16-17)

- Paul's writings have given false teachers an opportunity
- Rev 22:18-19
- "Fall from your own steadfastness"?

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Galatians 2:7-8

"<sup>7</sup> But on the contrary, seeing that I had been entrusted with the gospel to the uncircumcised, just as Peter had been to the circumcised <sup>8</sup> (for He who effectually worked for Peter in his apostleship to the circumcised effectually worked for me also to the Gentiles)."




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**Ephesians 3:3-6 (NASB)**

"that by revelation there was made known to me the mystery, as I wrote before in brief. <sup>4</sup> By referring to this, when you read you can understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, <sup>5</sup> which in other generations was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed to His holy apostles and prophets in the Spirit; <sup>6</sup> to be specific, that the Gentiles are fellow heirs and fellow members of the body, and fellow partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel".



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**Ephesians 3:9 (NASB)**

"and to bring to light what is the administration of the mystery which for ages has been hidden in God who created all things."



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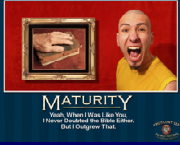
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**Emergent Epistemology**

"I grew up thinking that we've figured out the Bible...that we know what it means. Now I have no idea what most of it means."



Kristen Bell, wife of Rob Bell, quoted in *Christianity Today*, 11/1/04

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Revelation 22:18-19

"<sup>18</sup> I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues which are written in this book; <sup>19</sup> and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his part [meros] from the tree of life and from the holy city, which are written in this book."



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**Dennis Rokser**  
*Shall Never Perish Forever, p. 274*

"To unbelievers who would add to God's Word in this fashion, the Lord promises to 'add to him the plagues that are written in this book.' The plagues spoken of in the book of Revelation occur during that future period of God's judgment on the earth known as the Tribulation. If anyone reading Revelation accepts the invitation of verse 17 and becomes a believer in Christ prior to the Tribulation, that person will experience the pretribulation Rapture of the saints (1 Thess. 4:13-18) rather than the plagues of the Tribulation (1 Thess. 5:1-3). **Therefore, the warning of Revelation 22:18 applies only to unbelievers.** This is not a warning to believers to stay saved or to be rewarded for their perseverance."

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**Dennis Rokser**  
*Shall Never Perish Forever, p. 273*

"Verses 18-19 follow with a grave warning to unbelievers who would add to or subtract from the words of this book. Either adding to or taking away from the Word of God is characteristic of unbelievers who cannot simply accept by faith what God says in His Word. When God speaks, the response of the believing heart is simply 'Amen.' But the unbeliever does not accept what God says at face value, and so he must change the Word to suit himself."

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**Dennis Rokser**  
*Shall Never Perish Forever, p. 274*

"A common characteristic of cults and religions that profess to be 'Christian' is that they invariably add other books, creeds, council decisions, or 'inspired' writings of their founder or leaders to the Bible, and they put these on a par with God's Word."

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**Galatians 3:3**

"Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit, are you now being perfected by the flesh?"

**HAVING BEGUN BY THE SPIRIT**  
ARE YOU NOW BEING PERFECTED BY THE FLESH?



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**Galatians 5:4**

"You have been severed from Christ, you who are seeking to be justified by law; you have fallen from grace."



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Three Tenses of Salvation			
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GROW IN CHRIST  
(3:18)

- Maturity inoculates the believer against false teaching (Eph 4:11-16)
- God's glory is the ultimate motivation for maturity

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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;<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 . . .



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Ephesians 4:11-16

“... 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;<sup>15</sup> but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him who is the head, even . . .



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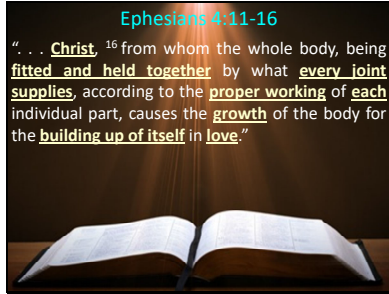
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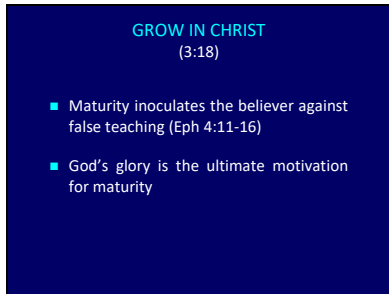
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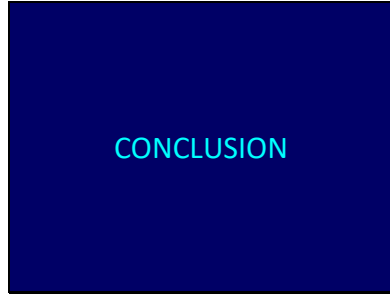
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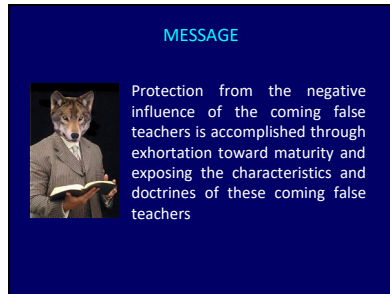
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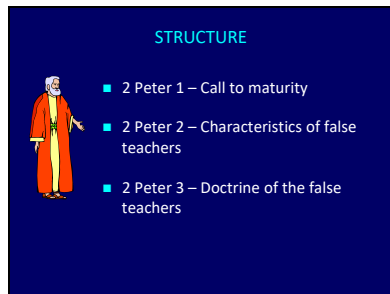
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Acts 8:1-Saul was in hearty agreement with putting him to death. And on that day a great persecution began against the church in Jerusalem, and they were all scattered throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except the apostles.

1 Cor. 15:9-For I am the least of the apostles, and not fit to be called an apostle, because I **persecuted** the church of God.

Eph. 3:8-To me, **the very least of all saints**, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unfathomable riches of Christ.

Philip. 3:6-as to zeal, **a persecutor of the church**; as to the righteousness which is in the Law, found blameless.

1 Tim. 1:12-15-<sup>12</sup>I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because He considered me faithful, putting me into service, <sup>13</sup>even though I was formerly a blasphemer and a persecutor and a violent aggressor. Yet I was shown mercy because I acted ignorantly in unbelief; <sup>14</sup>and the grace of our Lord was more than abundant, with the faith and love which are *found* in Christ Jesus. <sup>15</sup>It is a trustworthy statement, deserving full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, among whom I am foremost *of all*.

Luke 23:39-43-<sup>39</sup>One of the criminals who were hanged *there* was hurling abuse at Him, saying, "Are You not the Christ? Save Yourself and us!" <sup>40</sup>But the other answered, and rebuking him said, "Do you not even fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?" <sup>41</sup>And we indeed *are suffering* justly, for we are receiving what we deserve for our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." <sup>42</sup>And he was saying, "Jesus, remember me when You come in Your

kingdom!”<sup>43</sup> And He said to him, “Truly I say to you, today you shall be with Me in Paradise.”

Mark 3:16-19-<sup>16</sup> And He appointed the twelve: Simon (to whom He gave the name Peter),<sup>17</sup> and James, the *son* of Zebedee, and John the brother of James (to them He gave the name Boanerges, which means, “Sons of Thunder”);<sup>18</sup> and Andrew, and Philip, and Bartholomew, and Matthew, and Thomas, and James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus, and Simon the Zealot;<sup>19</sup> and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed Him.

Luke 6:14-16-<sup>14</sup> Simon, whom He also named Peter, and Andrew his brother; and James and John; and Philip and Bartholomew;<sup>15</sup> and Matthew and Thomas; James *the son* of Alphaeus, and Simon who was called the Zealot;<sup>16</sup> Judas *the son* of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor.

Acts 1:13-14-<sup>13</sup> When they had entered *the city*, they went up to the upper room where they were staying; that is, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James *the son* of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas *the son* of James.<sup>14</sup> These all with one mind were continually devoting themselves to prayer, along with *the women*, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with His brothers.

Matt. 10:2-4-<sup>2</sup> Now the names of the twelve apostles are these: The first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; and James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother;<sup>3</sup> Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus;<sup>4</sup> Simon the Zealot, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed Him.

1 Pet. 5:13-She who is in Babylon, chosen together with you, sends you greetings, and *so does* my son, **Mark**.

2 Tim. 4:11-Only **Luke** is with me. Pick up **Mark** and bring him with you, for he is useful to me for service.

Matt. 13:55-Is not this the carpenter's son? Is not His mother called Mary, and His brothers, **James** and Joseph and Simon and **Judas**?

1 Pet. 3:2-that you should remember the words spoken beforehand by the holy **prophets** and the commandment of the Lord and Savior spoken by your **apostles**.

1 Tim. 5:18-For the Scripture says, "YOU SHALL NOT MUZZLE THE OX WHILE HE IS THRESHING," and "The laborer is worthy of his wages."

Deut. 25:4-You shall not muzzle the ox while he is threshing.

Luke 10:7-Stay in that house, eating and drinking what they give you; **for the laborer is worthy of his wages**. Do not keep moving from house to house.

## **16-17**

2 Pet. 2:14-having eyes full of adultery that never cease from sin, **enticing unstable souls**, having a heart trained in greed, accursed children.

2 Pet. 1:8-9-<sup>8</sup>For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they render you neither useless nor unfruitful in the true knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup>For he who lacks these qualities is blind or short-sighted, having forgotten his purification from his former sins.

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Gen. 4:1 (KJV)-And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD.