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### **INTRODUCTORY MATTERS**

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

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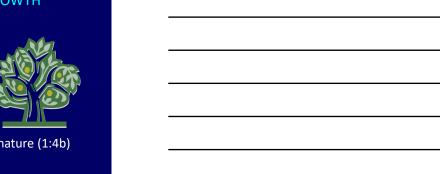
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- Power (1:3a)
- Knowledge (1:3b)
- Promises (1:4a)
- Participation in the divine nature (1:4b)

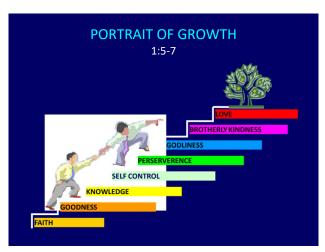


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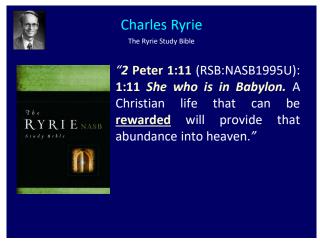


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Scripture's Five Crowns (Rev 4:10: 3:11; 2 John 8)		
SCRIPTURE	CROWN	PURPOSE
1 Cor. 9:24-27	Incorruptible	Gaining mastery over the flesh
1 Thess. 2:19-20	Rejoicing	Soul winning
Jas. 1:12; Rev. 2:10	Life	Enduring trials
1 Pet. 5:2-4	Glory	Shepherding God's people
2 Tim. 4:8	Righteousness	Longing for His appearing

### 1 Corinthians 9:24-27

"Do you not know that those who run in a race all run, but *only* one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may win. <sup>25</sup> Everyone who competes in the games exercises self-control in all things. They then *do it* to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. <sup>26</sup> Therefore I run in such a way, as not without aim; I box in such a way, as not beating the air; <sup>27</sup> but I discipline my body and make it my slave, so that, after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified."



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# John 15:16 "You did not choose Me but I chose you, and appointed you that you would go and bear fruit, and that your fruit would <u>remain</u>, so that whatever you ask of the Father in My name He may give to you."



### **Woodrow Kroll**

Woodrow Kroll, Facing Your Final Job Review: The Judgment Seat of Christ, Salvation, and Eternal Rewards (Wheaton, IL: Crossway Books, 2008), 123-124.

"We should never conceive of the loss of rewards as a repossession. God does not take back something he has already awarded to us. At the heavenly bema, we do not suddenly have a quantity of rewards ripped from our hands by the righteous Judge. We are not stripped of rewards as an erring soldier is stripped of his stripes. Not at all... Loss or reward is not like handing back a trophy that was mistakenly given to you. It's not returning something you earned. It's forfeiting a reward that you could have earned but failed to do so."

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# PURPOSE STATEMENT V. 12-15



Last Will:

To Remind You of Previously Revealed Truth to Prepare You for Coming False Teachers

### **REMEMBRANCE**

- Has forgotten that he has been cleansed (1:9)
- I will always remind you of these things (1:12)
- It is right to refresh your memory (1:13)
- You will always be able to remember these things (1:15)
- I have written both of them as reminders (3:1)
- Do not forget (3:8)
- Bear in mind (3:15)



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### **RECIPIENTS**

- North-central portion of modern Turkey (1 Pet. 1:1)
- Regenerated (1 Pet. 1:3-4; 2 Pet. 1:1)
- Jewish
  - Diaspora (1 Pet. 1:1; Jas. 1:1; John 7:35)
  - ◆ Aliens/sojourners (1 Pet. 1:1)
  - ◆ Pilgrims (1 Pet. 2:11)
  - Distinguished from the Gentiles (1 Pet. 2:12; 4:3)
  - 1 Pet 2:9 (Exod. 19:6; Rom. 10:19)
  - To the church/churches? (1 Pet. 1:1; 2 Pet. 1:1)
  - Gal. 2:7-8

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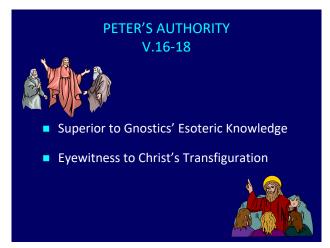
# Isaiah 9:6-7 <sup>6</sup> For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; And the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace, On the throne of David and over his kingdom, To establish it and to uphold it with justice and righteousness From then on and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will accomplish this.

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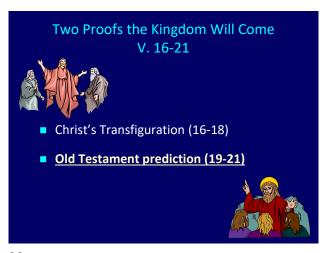
# Two Proofs the Kingdom Will Come V. 16-21 Christ's Transfiguration (16-18) Old Testament prediction (19-21)



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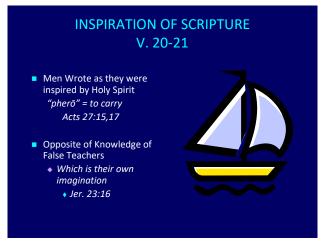
"All Scripture is <u>inspired by God [theopneustos]</u> and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work."



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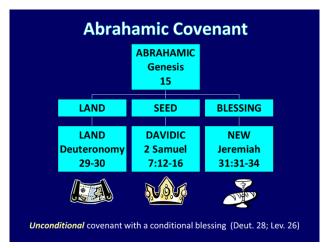
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# "Behold, days are coming," declares the LORD, "when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah, 32 not like the covenant which I made with their fathers in the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, My covenant which they broke, although I was a husband to them," declares the LORD. 33 "But this is the covenant which I will make with the house of . . .

### Jeremiah 31:31-34

put My law within them and on their heart I will write it; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. <sup>34</sup> They will not teach again, each man his neighbor and each man his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they will all know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them," declares the LORD, "for I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more."

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