Intro

Job 19:25-As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last He will take His stand **on the earth**.

I. <u>Heresy (3-4)</u>

2 Chron. 36:16-but they *continually* **mocked** the messengers of God, despised His words, and **scoffed** at His prophets, until the wrath of the LORD arose against His people, until there was no remedy.

II. Motive (3-4)

1 Tim. 6:20 (KJV)- O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane and vain babblings, and oppositions of science falsely so called.

III. Peter's Rebuttal (5-10)

A.<u>History (5-7)</u>

Genesis 1:3-Then <u>God said</u>, "Let there be light"; and there was light.

Ps. 33:6-**By the word of the LORD** the heavens were made, And by the **breath of His mouth** all their host.

Ps. 33:9-For <u>He spoke</u>, and it was done; <u>He commanded</u>, and it stood fast.

2 Pet. 3:5 (KJV)-<u>For this they willingly are ignorant of</u>, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water

Rom. 1:18-For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who **suppress** the truth in unrighteousness.

Gen. 7:19-23-¹⁹ The water prevailed more and more upon the earth, so that all the high mountains everywhere under the heavens were covered. ²⁰ The water prevailed fifteen cubits higher, and the mountains were covered. ²¹ All flesh that moved on the earth perished, birds and cattle and beasts and every swarming thing that swarms upon the earth, and all mankind; ²² of all that was on the dry land, all in whose nostrils was the breath of the spirit of life, died. ²³ Thus He blotted out every living thing that was upon the face of the land, from man to animals to creeping things and to birds of the sky, and they were blotted out from the earth; and only Noah was left, together with those that were with him in the ark. ²⁴ The water prevailed upon the earth one hundred and fifty days.

Rev. 1:7-BEHOLD, HE IS COMING WITH THE CLOUDS, and <u>every</u> <u>eye will see Him</u>, even those who pierced Him; and all the tribes of the earth will mourn over Him. So it is to be. Amen.

Matt. 24:37-39-<u>For the coming of the Son of Man will be just</u> <u>like the days of Noah</u>. ³⁸ For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying, and giving in marriage,

until the day that Noah entered the ark, ³⁹ and they did not understand until the flood came and took them all away; so, will the coming of the Son of Man be.

Job 38:4-7-Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell *Me*, if you have understanding,⁵ Who set its measurements? Since you know. Or who stretched the line on it?⁶ "On what were its bases sunk? Or who laid its cornerstone,⁷ When the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

Heb. 11:3-By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things which are visible.

B. Scripture (8)

Ps. 90:4-For a thousand years in Your sight Are like yesterday when it passes by, Or *as* a watch in the night.

Rom. 8:29-30-For those whom He foreknew, He also predestined *to become* conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brethren; ³⁰ and these whom He predestined, He also called; and these whom He called, He also justified; and these whom He justified, He also glorified.

C.Character (9)

Gen. 6:3-Then the LORD said, "My Spirit shall not strive with man forever, because he also is flesh; nevertheless, <u>his days</u> shall be one hundred and twenty years."

1 Peter 3:20-who once were disobedient, when the patience of God kept waiting in the days of Noah, during the construction of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through the water.

Gen. 15:16-Then in the fourth generation they will return here, for the iniquity of the Amorite is not yet complete.

Ezek. 18:23-Do I have any pleasure in the death of the wicked," declares the Lord GOD, "rather than that he should turn from his ways and live?

1 Tim. 2:4-who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

D.God's promise (10)

1 Cor. 7:31-and those who use the world, as though they did not make full use of it; for the form of this world is passing away.

Heb. 1:10-12- And "You, Lord, in the beginning laid the foundation of the Earth, And the Heavens are the works of Your Hands; ¹¹ They will perish, but You remain; And they all will become old like a garment, ¹² And like a mantle You will roll them up; Like a garment they will also be changed. But You are the same, And Your years will not come to an end."

- 1 John 2:17-<u>The world is passing away, and also its lusts</u>; but the one who does the will of God lives forever.
- Rev. 20:11-Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat upon it, from whose presence <u>earth and heaven fled away</u>, and no place was found for them.
- 2 Cor. 4:18- while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen; for the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal.
- Matt. 24:35-<u>Heaven and earth will pass away</u>, but My words will not pass away.

IV. Application (11-15)

- 2 Pet. 1:19-So we have the prophetic word *made* more sure, to which you do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star arises in your hearts.
- Ps. 119:105-Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

A.Holiness (11b, 14)

1 John 3:2-3- Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that when He appears, we will be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is. ³ And everyone who has this hope *fixed* on Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.

B. Evangelism (12)

Rom. 11:25- For I do not want you, brethren, to be uninformed of this mystery—so that you will not be wise in your own estimation—that a partial hardening has happened to Israel <u>until</u> the fullness of the Gentiles has come in.

C.Hope (13)

Rev. 21:4-and He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there will no longer be *any* death; there will no longer be *any* mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away.