## 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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- Writer (1:1a)
- Recipients (1:1b)
- Greeting (1:2)



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# PROVISIONS FOR GROWTH (1:3-4)

- Power (1:3a)
- Knowledge (1:3b)
- Promises (1:4a)



Participation in the divine nature (1:4b)

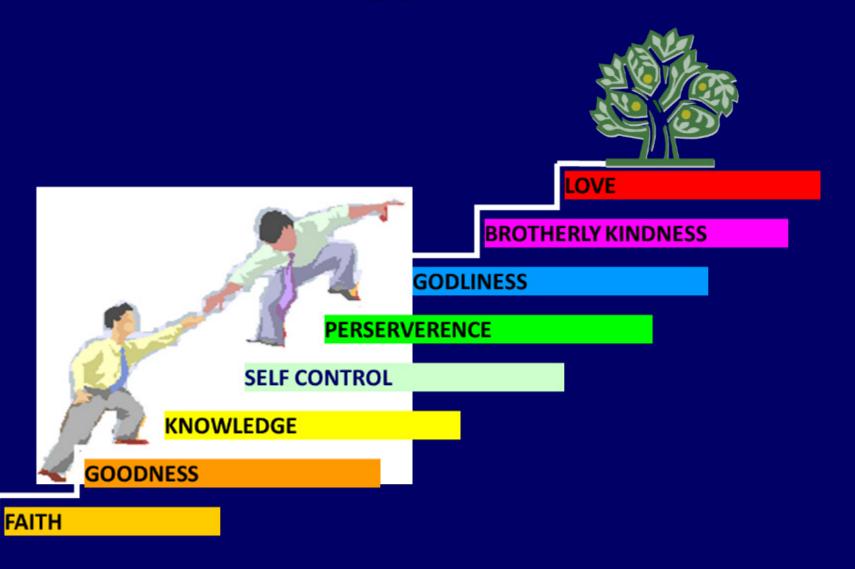
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## 5 BENEFITS OF GROWTH 1:8-11

- 1. Productivity (1:8)
- 2. Harmony with identity (1:9)
- 3. Sureness of election (1:10a)
- 4. Stability (1:10b)
- 5. Eternal Reward (1:11)



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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

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<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. 10 Therefore, brethren, be all the more diligent to make certain about His calling and choosing you; for as long as you practice these things, you will never stumble; 11 for in this way the entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will be abundantly supplied to you.

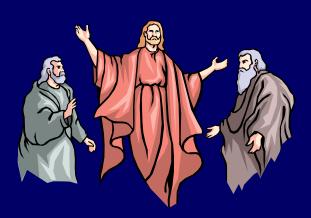
#### RECIPIENTS

- 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

## 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.

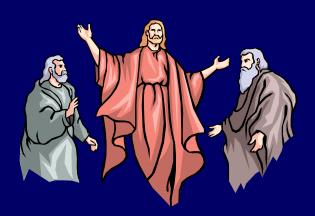
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## Matthew 12:24

"But when the Pharisees heard this, they said, "This man casts out demons only by Beelzebul the ruler of the demons."

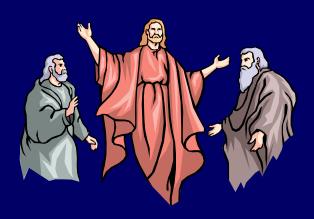


## Transition from Public to Private Ministry

	Public	Private
Scripture	Matt. 1–12	Matt. 13–28
Focus	Nation	Remnant
Miracles	Proof to nation	Training for remnant
Kingdom Offer	Prominent	Disappears
Teaching	Discourse	Parabolic
Interim program	Not mentioned	Prominent
Crucifixion; Resurrection	Not mentioned (4:17)	Prominent (16:21)

### PETER'S AUTHORITY

V. 16-18



- Superior to Gnostics' Esoteric Knowledge
- Eyewitness to Christ's Transfiguration



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#### OT PROPHETS DESCRIBE THE KINGDOM

- 1. Established by God (Dan. 2:44)
- 2. Eternal (Dan. 7:27)
- 3. Christ's direct rule (Zech. 9:9-10)
- 4. Earthly (Zech. 14:9)
- 5. Land promises realized (Gen. 15:18-21)
- 6. Israel's preeminence (Isa. 49:22-23)
- 7. Millennial Temple (Ezek. 40–46)



#### OT PROPHETS DESCRIBE THE KINGDOM

- 8. Millennial David (Jer. 30:9)
- 9. Righteousness (Isa. 9:6-7)
- 10. Curse curtailed (Isa. 65:20, 22)
- 11. Peace (Isa. 2:4)



- 13. Topographical changes (Ezek. 47:1-12)
- 14. Immediate answers to prayer (Isa. 65:24)



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## 2 Timothy 3:16-17

"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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# INSPIRATION OF SCRIPTURE V. 20-21

Men Wrote as they were inspired by Holy Spirit "pherō" = to carry

Acts 27:15,17

- Opposite of Knowledge of False Teachers
  - Which is their own imagination
    - ◆ Jer. 23:16



#### Jeremiah 23:16

"Thus says the Lord of hosts, 'Do not listen to the words of the prophets who are prophesying to you. They are leading you into futility; They speak a vision of their own imagination, Not from the mouth of the Lord."



### Ezekiel 13:3, 6-7

"3 Thus says the Lord God, "Woe to the foolish prophets who are following their own spirit and have seen nothing...<sup>6</sup> They see falsehood and lying divination who are saying, 'The Lord declares,' when the Lord has not sent them; yet they hope for the fulfillment of their word. 7 Did you not see a false vision and speak a lying divination when you said, 'The Lord declares,' but it is not I who have spoken?""

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#### Psalm 119:105

"Your word is a lamp to my feet And a light to my path."



# AUTHORITY OF SCRIPTURE V. 19



- More sure than eyewitness testimony
- World is in the Dark,Scripture is the Light
- Morning Star = Jesus

Rev. 2:28; 22:16

### Revelation 2:28; 22:16

"2:28 and I will give him the morning star... 22:16 "I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."



## **Abrahamic Covenant**

ABRAHAMIC Genesis 15

**LAND** 

**SEED** 

**BLESSING** 

LAND Deuteronomy 29-30 DAVIDIC 2 Samuel 7:12-16 NEW Jeremiah 31:31-34







## Jeremiah 31:31-34

"31 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 Israel after those days," declares the Lord, . . .

## Jeremiah 31:31-34

. . . "I will 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. 34 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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