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All You Need to Know About the New Testament

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Old Testament (Covenant)

Original Language: Hebrew/Aramaic

Contents: History/Prophecy

English Bible Arrangement (according to the Septuagint)

Law Genesis-Deuteronomy	History Joshua-Esther	Writings Psalms-Song of Solomon	Prophets Isaiah-Malachi
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Hebrew Bible Arrangement

Law Genesis-Deuteronomy	Prophets Joshua-Malachi (minus Ruth, Lamentations & Daniel)	Writings Job-II Chronicles (including Ruth, Lamentations & Daniel)
Torah	Neviim	Ketuvim
תּוֹרָה	נְבִיאִים	כְּתוּבִים
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New Testament (Covenant)

Original Language: Greek

Contents: History/Doctrine (Teaching)

History Matthew - Acts	Doctrine (Teaching) Romans - Revelation																					
	Paul's Writings										Jewish Literature											
	Romans	I Corinthians	II Corinthians	Galatians	Ephesians	Philippians	Colossians	I Thessalonians	II Thessalonians	I Timothy	II Timothy	Titus	Philemon	Hebrews	James	I Peter	II Peter	I John	II John	III John	Jude	Revelation

II Corinthians 10:4-6

- 4) For the tools of our warfare *are* not fleshly, but powerful *with* God for the pulling down of strongholds;
- 5) pulling down reasonings and every high thing exalting itself against the knowledge of God and taking captive every thought into the obedience of Christ;
- 6) and having in readiness that we should avenge all disobedience, whenever your obedience should be fulfilled.

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INTRODUCTION REVIEW OF SECOND PETER

I. First and Second Peter in the New Testament

First and Second Peter are part of a collection of books in the New Testament called The Jewish Literature. The Jewish Literature begins with the Book of Hebrews and continues through to the end of the Book of Revelation.

II. The Author

- The Writer of II Peter is Peter as introduced to us in Verse 1. There is more information known about Peter than any other Apostle. (See First and Second Peter Introduction for details.)
- Andrew was the first to meet Jesus and come to know Him as Messiah as recorded in John 1:35-40.
- Andrew introduces his brother Simon Peter to Jesus in John 1:41-42
- At this time, Jesus tells Simon Peter that in the future he will be called Cephas, which is Peter in Aramaic.
- Paul died in Rome around 64 A.D. Peter died in Rome around 66-67 A.D.

III. To Whom It Was Written

- According to I Peter 1:1, Peter wrote his letters to the Diaspora which is the designation for the Jews who had been displaced from Jerusalem.
- This group of the Diaspora was located just to the East of the Seven Churches of Asia Minor.
- The Book of Revelation was written to these seven churches some 30 years after Peter wrote his letters.

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IV. Date of Writing

- Peter wrote his first letter around 63 A.D. right before his arrest in Rome. Peter wrote from Rome, but he used the cryptic name Babylon in his first letter - I Peter 5:13.
- According to I Peter 5:12, Silvanus received the dictation of the letter.
- Peter wrote his second letter also from Rome right before 67 A.D. as he wrote it right before his death. Nero, the Roman Emperor, died around 68 A.D.

V. The Purpose of the Letter

- First Peter was written to warn the believers about the threat against the Church from the outside world.
- Second Peter was written to warn the believers about the threat against the Church from inside the church.

VI. The Theme of the Letter

Persecution and Suffering. Peter wrote in order to warn the believing Jews in the Diaspora that the persecution against the Church is going to intensify.

VII. The Style of Writing

When Peter quotes from the Old Testament, he quotes from the Septuagint which is the Greek translation of the Hebrew text. The Septuagint was written in Alexandria, Egypt around 300 B.C.

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VIII. The Outline of the Book of II Peter

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<u>II Peter Chapter 1</u> The Presentation of the Gospel

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<u>II Peter 1:1-2</u> The Preface

Chapter 1

¹ Simon Peter, a servant and an apostle of Jesus Christ, to them that have obtained like precious faith with us through the righteousness of God and our Saviour Jesus Christ:

² Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord,

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II Peter Chapter 1 The Presentation of the Gospel

II Peter 1:1-2 The Preface

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a servant
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Chapter 1 (continued)

C.O.

II Peter 1:3-11
The Phases of the Christian Faith

³ According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:

⁴ Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

⁵ And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge;

⁶ And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness;

⁷ And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.

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II Peter Chapter 1 The Presentation of the Gospel (continued)

II Peter 1:3-11 The Phases of the Christian Faith

Verses 3-4 The Participation with the Divine Nature

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of the divine nature,
having escaped the corruption
that is in the world
through lust.

Verses 5-7 The Participation in the Spiritual Growth Process

⁵ And beside this,

giving all diligence,
add to your faith
virtue;

and to virtue
knowledge;

⁶ And to knowledge
temperance;

and to temperance
patience;

and to patience
godliness;

⁷ And to godliness

brotherly kindness;

and to brotherly kindness
charity.

Chapter 1 (continued)

⁸ For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁹ But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.

M.V.

II Peter 1:10

10 Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall:

¹¹ For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

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II Peter Chapter 1 The Presentation of the Gospel (continued)

II Peter 1:3-11 The Phases of the Christian Faith (continued)

Verses 8-11 The Participation in the Entrance to Heaven

**⁸ For if these things be in you,
and abound,**

**they make you *that ye shall* neither be
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nor unfruitful
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of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

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and cannot see afar off,
and hath forgotten
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and election
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unto you
abundantly
into the everlasting kingdom
of our Lord
and
Saviour Jesus Christ.**

Chapter 1 (continued)

C.O.

II Peter 1:12-15
The Principles of Repetition

¹² Wherefore I will not be negligent to put you always in remembrance of these things, though ye know them, and be established in the present truth.

¹³ Yea, I think it meet, as long as I am in this tabernacle, to stir you up by putting you in remembrance;

¹⁴ Knowing that shortly I must put off this my tabernacle, even as our Lord Jesus Christ hath shewed me.

¹⁵ Moreover I will endeavour that ye may be able after my decease to have these things always in remembrance.

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II Peter Chapter 1 The Presentation of the Gospel (continued)

II Peter 1:12-15 The Principles of Repetition

Verse 12 The Condition of the Readers

¹² **Wherefore**
I will not be negligent
to put you always in remembrance
of these things,
though ye know *them*,
and
be established
in the present truth.

Verse 13 The Compelling for the Readers

¹³ **Yea, I think it meet,**
as long as I am in this tabernacle,
to stir you up
by putting *you* in remembrance;

Verses 14-15 The Capability for the Readers

¹⁴ **Knowing**
that shortly
I must put off *this* my tabernacle,
even as
our Lord Jesus Christ
hath shewed me.

¹⁵ **Moreover**
I will endeavour
that ye may be able
after my decease
to have these things always
in remembrance.

Chapter 1 (continued)

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<u>II Peter 1:16-21</u> The Priority of Peter's Letters

M.V.

II Peter 1:16

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16 For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of his majesty.

¹⁷ For he received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

¹⁸ And this voice which came from heaven we heard, when we were with him in the holy mount.

¹⁹ We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts:

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II Peter Chapter 1 The Presentation of the Gospel (continued)

II Peter 1:16-21 The Priority of Peter's Letters

Verse 16 The Confidence in Peter's Testimony

**¹⁶ For we have not followed
cunningly devised fables,
when we made known unto you
the power
and
coming of our Lord Jesus Christ,
but were eyewitnesses
of his majesty.**

Verses 17-18 The Confirmation of God's Voice

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when there came such a voice
to him
from the excellent glory,**

**This is my beloved Son,
in whom I am well pleased.**

**¹⁸ And this voice
which came from heaven
we heard,
when we were with him
in the holy mount.**

Verse 19 The Comparison to other Prophecy

**¹⁹ We have also
a more sure word of prophecy;

whereunto
ye do well that ye take heed,
as unto a light that shineth in a dark place,

until the day dawn,
and
the day star arise
in your hearts:**

Chapter 1 (continued)

M.V.

II Peter 1:20

20 Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.

M.V.

II Peter 1:21

21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

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II Peter Chapter 1 The Presentation of the Gospel (continued)

II Peter 1:16-21 The Priority of Peter's Letters (continued)

Verses 20-21 The Communication of Scripture

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of the scripture
is of any private interpretation.**

²¹ **For the prophecy
came not in old time
by the will of man:
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as they were moved
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<u>II Peter Chapter 2</u> The Profile of False Teachers

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<u>II Peter 2:1-3</u> The Problem for the Church

Chapter 2

¹ But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction.

² And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of.

³ And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not.

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II Peter Chapter 2 The Profile of False Teachers

II Peter 2:1-3 The Problem for the Church

Verse 1a The Caution

**But
there were
false prophets also
among the people,

even as there shall be false teachers
among you,**

Verse 1b The Conduct

**who
privily shall bring in damnable heresies,
even denying the Lord that bought them,
and bring upon themselves swift destruction.**

Verse 2 The Consequences

**² And
many shall follow their pernicious ways;

by reason of whom
the way of truth
shall be evil spoken of.**

Verse 3a The Communication

**³ And through covetousness
shall they with feigned words
make merchandise of you:**

Verse 3b The Condemnation

**whose judgment now of a long time
lingereth not,
and their damnation slumbereth not.**

Chapter 2 (continued)

C.O.

II Peter 2:4-9
The Two Principles of Judgment

⁴ For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment;

⁵ And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;

⁶ And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha into ashes condemned them with an overthrow, making them an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly;

⁷ And delivered just Lot, vexed with the filthy conversation of the wicked:

M.V.

II Peter 2:8

⁸ (For that righteous man dwelling among them, in seeing and hearing, vexed his righteous soul from day to day with their unlawful deeds;)

M.V.

II Peter 2:9

⁹ The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished:

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II Peter Chapter 2 The Profile of False Teachers (continued)

II Peter 2:4-9 The Two Principles of Judgment

Verse 4 The Conduct of Angels

**⁴ For if God spared not the angels that sinned,
but cast *them* down to hell,
and delivered *them* into chains of darkness,
to be reserved unto judgment;**

Verse 5 The Contrast: Noah

**⁵ And spared not the old world,
but saved Noah the eighth *person*,
a preacher of righteousness,

bringing in the flood
upon the world of the ungodly;**

Verse 6 The Condemnation of Sodom and Gomorrha

**⁶ And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha
into ashes
condemned *them* with an overthrow,
making *them* an ensample
unto those that after should live ungodly;**

Verses 7-8 The Contrast: Lot

**⁷ And delivered just Lot,
vexed with the filthy conversation of the wicked:

⁸ (For that righteous man
dwelling among them,
in seeing and hearing,
vexed *his* righteous soul
from day to day
with *their* unlawful deeds;)**

Verse 9 The Capability of the Lord: The Two Principles

**⁹ The Lord knoweth
how to deliver the godly
out of temptations,

and to reserve the unjust
unto the day of judgment
to be punished:**

Chapter 2 (continued)

C.O.

II Peter 2:10-16
The Particulars of the False Teachers

¹⁰ But chiefly them that walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness, and despise government. Presumptuous are they, selfwilled, they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities.

¹¹ Whereas angels, which are greater in power and might, bring not railing accusation against them before the Lord.

¹² But these, as natural brute beasts, made to be taken and destroyed, speak evil of the things that they understand not; and shall utterly perish in their own corruption;

¹³ And shall receive the reward of unrighteousness, as they that count it pleasure to riot in the day time. Spots they are and blemishes, sporting themselves with their own deceivings while they feast with you;

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II Peter Chapter 2 The Profile of False Teachers (continued)

II Peter 2:10-16 The Particulars of the False Teachers

Verse 10 Their Characteristics

¹⁰ **But chiefly them
that walk after the flesh
in the lust of uncleanness,
and despise government.**

**Presumptuous are they,
selfwilled,
they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities.**

Verse 11 The Contrast

¹¹ **Whereas angels,
which are greater in power and might,
bring not railing accusation
against them
before the Lord.**

Verse 12a Their Capacity

¹² **But these,
as natural brute beasts,
made to be taken and destroyed,**

Verse 12b Their Communication

**speak evil of the things
that they understand not;**

Verse 12c Their Corruption

**and shall utterly perish
in their own corruption;**

Verse 13a Their Conduct

¹³ **And shall receive
the reward of unrighteousness,
as they that count it pleasure
to riot in the day time.**

Verse 13b Their Celebrations

**Spots they are
and blemishes,
sporting themselves
with their own deceivings
while they feast with you;**

Chapter 2 (continued)

¹⁴ Having eyes full of adultery, and that cannot cease from sin; beguiling unstable souls: an heart they have exercised with covetous practices; cursed children:

K.V.

II Peter 2:15
Numbers 22:5-7;
Deuteronomy 23:4

15 Which have forsaken the right way, and are gone astray, following the way of Balaam the son of Bosor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness;

K.V.

II Peter 2:16
Numbers 22:22-34

16 But was rebuked for his iniquity: the dumb ass speaking with man's voice forbad the madness of the prophet.

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II Peter Chapter 2 The Profile of False Teachers (continued)

II Peter 2:10-16 The Particulars of the False Teachers (continued)

Verse 14a Their Ceasing from Sin

**¹⁴ Having eyes full of adultery,
and that cannot cease from sin;**

Verse 14b Their Captives

beguiling unstable souls:

Verse 14c Their Covetous practices

**an heart they have exercised
with covetous practices;**

Verse 14d Their Curse

cursed children:

Verses 15-16 Their Course

**¹⁵ Which have forsaken the right way,
and are gone astray,
following the way of Balaam
the son of Bosor,
who loved the wages
of unrighteousness;**

**¹⁶ But was rebuked
for his iniquity:**

**the dumb ass
speaking with man's voice
forbad the madness of the prophet.**

Chapter 2 (continued)

C.O.

II Peter 2:17-18
The Presentation of the False Teachers

¹⁷ These are wells without water, clouds that are carried with a tempest; to whom the mist of darkness is reserved for ever.

¹⁸ For when they speak great swelling words of vanity, they allure through the lusts of the flesh, through much wantonness, those that were clean escaped from them who live in error.

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II Peter Chapter 2 The Profile of False Teachers (continued)

II Peter 2:17-18 The Presentation of the False Teachers

Verse 17 Their Charisma

¹⁷ **These are wells without water,
clouds that are carried with a tempest;**

Verse 17b Their Consequence

**to whom the mist of darkness
is reserved for ever.**

Verse 18a Their Communication

¹⁸ **For when they speak
great swelling *words* of vanity,**

Verse 18b Their Captives

**they allure through the lusts of the flesh,
through much wantonness,
those that were clean escaped
from them who live in error.**

C.O.

II Peter 2:19
**The Promise of the False
Teachers**



¹⁹ While they promise them liberty, they themselves are the servants of corruption: for of whom a man is overcome, of the same is he brought in bondage.

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II Peter Chapter 2 The Profile of False Teachers (continued)

II Peter 2:19 The Promise of the False Teachers

Verse 19a Their Corruption

**¹⁹ While they promise them liberty,
they themselves
are the servants of corruption:**

Verse 19b The Concept

**for of whom a man is overcome,
of the same is he brought in bondage.**

Chapter 2 (continued)

C.O.

II Peter 2:20-21
The Position of the Captives



²⁰ For if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, the latter end is worse with them than the beginning.

²¹ For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them.

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II Peter Chapter 2 The Profile of False Teachers (continued)

II Peter 2:20-21 The Position of the Captives

Verse 20a Their Condition

**²⁰ For if after they have escaped
the pollutions of the world
through the knowledge
of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,
they are again entangled therein,
and overcome,**

Verses 20b-21 The Concept

**the latter end is worse with them
than the beginning.**

**²¹ For it had been better
for them not to have known
the way of righteousness,
than,
after they have known *it*,
to turn from the holy commandment
delivered unto them.**

C.O.

II Peter 2:22
The Portrayal of the Captives

K.V.

II Peter 2:22
Proverbs 26:11



22 But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog is turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire.

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II Peter Chapter 2 The Profile of False Teachers (continued)

II Peter 2:22 The Portrayal of the Captives

Verse 22 Their Conclusion

**²² But it is happened unto them
according to the true proverb,
The dog *is* turned
to his own vomit again;
and the sow that was washed
to her wallowing in the mire.**

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<u>II Peter Chapter 3</u> The Priorities of the Believer

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<u>II Peter 3:1-2</u> The Purposes for Peter's Letter

Chapter 3

¹ This second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you; in both which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance:

² That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Saviour:

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II Peter Chapter 3 The Priorities of Believers

II Peter 3:1-2 The Purposes for Peter's Letter

¹ **This second epistle,
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by way of remembrance:**

² **That ye may be mindful
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which were spoken before
by the holy prophets,
and of the commandment
of us the apostles
of the Lord and Saviour:**

Chapter 3 (continued)

C.O.

II Peter 3:3-7
The Perspective of Scoffers

³ Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts,

⁴ And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation.

⁵ For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:

⁶ Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished:

⁷ But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.

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II Peter Chapter 3 The Priorities of Believers (continued)

II Peter 3:3-7 The Perspective of Scoffers

Verse 3 The Character of Scoffers

**³ Knowing this first,
that there shall come in the last days
scoffers,
walking after their own lusts,**

Verse 4 The Communication of Scoffers

**⁴ And saying,

Where is the promise of his coming?
for since the fathers fell asleep,
all things continue as they were
from the beginning of the creation.**

Verses 5-6 Their Condition

**⁵ For this they willingly are ignorant of,
that by the word of God
the heavens were of old,
and the earth
standing out of the water
and in the water:**

**⁶ Whereby the world that then was,
being overflowed with water,
perished:**

Verse 7 The Concept

**⁷ But the heavens and the earth,
which are now,
by the same word
are kept in store,
reserved unto fire
against the day of judgment
and perdition
of ungodly men.**

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8 But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

11 Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness,

¹² Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?

¹³ Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

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II Peter Chapter 3 The Priorities of Believers (continued)

II Peter 3:8-13 The Perspective of God

- Verse 8 The Concept of God
**⁸ But,
beloved,
be not ignorant
of this one thing,
that one day is with the Lord
as a thousand years,
and a thousand years
as one day.**
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concerning his promise,
as some men count slackness;
but is longsuffering to us-ward,
not willing that any should perish,
but that all should come to repentance.**
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**¹⁰ But the day of the Lord
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shall be burned up.**
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what manner of persons ought ye to be
in all holy conversation
and godliness,**
- Verses 12-13 The Consciousness of Believers
**¹² Looking for
and hasting
unto the coming of the day of God,
wherein the heavens being on fire
shall be dissolved,
and the elements
shall melt with fervent heat?
¹³ Nevertheless we,
according to his promise,
look for new heavens and a new earth,
wherein dwelleth righteousness.**

Chapter 3 (continued)

C.O.

II Peter 3:14-18
The Preparation for the Lord's Calling

¹⁴ Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.

¹⁵ And account that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you;

M.V.

II Peter 3:16

16 As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction.

¹⁷ Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own stedfastness.

M.V.

II Peter 3:18

18 But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen.

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II Peter Chapter 3 The Priorities of Believers (continued)

II Peter 3:14-18 The Preparation for the Lord's Coming

- Verse 14 The Command
 ¹⁴ **Wherefore,**
 beloved,
 seeing that ye look for such things,
 be diligent that ye may be found of him
 in peace,
 without spot,
 and blameless.
- Verse 15 The Calculation
 ¹⁵ **And account that**
 the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation;
 even as our beloved brother Paul also
 according to the wisdom
 given unto him
 hath written unto you;
- Verse 16 The Content of Paul's Letters
 ¹⁶ **As also in all his epistles,**
 speaking in them of these things;
 in which are some things
 hard to be understood,
 which they that are unlearned
 and unstable
 wrest,
 as they do also the other scriptures,
 unto their own destruction.
- Verse 17-18a The Closing Commands
 ¹⁷ **Ye therefore,**
 beloved,
 seeing ye know these things before,
 beware lest ye also,
 being led away
 with the error of the wicked,
 fall from your own stedfastness.
 ¹⁸ **But grow in grace,**
 and in the knowledge
 of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
- Verse 18b The Creed
 To him be glory
 both now
 and for ever.
- Verse 18c The Conclusion
 Amen.

