

2 Peter 1

(1) Simeon Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ, To those who have obtained a faith of equal standing with ours by the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ: (2) May grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.

According to verse one, what two descriptions does Peter give of himself? _____

What two titles does Peter use for Jesus in verse one? _____

How did the believers obtain this faith?

What two blessings does Peter pray would be “multiplied”? _____

Through what means are grace and peace multiplied? _____

Discussion: Knowledge of God

(3) His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence, (4) by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire.

According to verse three, what has God’s divine power granted to us? _____

Through what means do we receive these things? _____

What two things does Peter say God has called us to? _____

What has God granted to us according to verse four? _____

What purpose do these promises serve? _____

From what have believers escaped? _____

Discussion: Partakers of the divine nature

(5) For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, (6) and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, (7) and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love.

Beginning in verse five, what is the foundation of the Christian life?

What seven qualities does Peter list as growing out of faith? ____

(8) For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. (9) For whoever lacks these qualities is so nearsighted that he is blind, having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former sins.

According to verse eight, what is the result when these qualities are increasing? _____

What danger exists for the person who lacks these qualities? _____

What has such a person forgotten? _____

Discussion: Spiritual blindness

(10) Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to confirm your calling and election, for if you practice these qualities you will never fall. (11) For in this way there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

What does Peter urge believers to confirm in verse ten? _____

What promise is attached to practicing these qualities? _____

What future blessing does Peter describe in verse eleven? _____

(12) Therefore I intend always to remind you of these qualities, though you know them and are established in the truth that you have. (13) I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to stir you up by way of reminder, (14) since I know that the putting off of my body will be soon, as our Lord Jesus Christ made clear to me. (15) And I will make every effort so that after my departure you may be able at any time to recall these things.

Why does Peter say he intends to keep reminding believers of these things? _____

What does Peter say about his approaching death? _____

What does Peter want believers to be able to do after his departure? _____

Discussion: Christian remembrance

What accusation does Peter deny about the

(16) For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty.

(17) For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased," (18) we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain.

apostolic message in verse sixteen? _____

What does Peter say the apostles actually were? _____

To what event is Peter referring in verses seventeen and eighteen? _____

Discussion: The Transfiguration

(19) And we have the prophetic word more fully confirmed, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, (20) knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. (21) For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

What does Peter call the prophetic word in verse nineteen? _____

How should believers treat this prophetic word? _____

What illustration does Peter use to describe Scripture? _____

What truth about Scripture does Peter emphasize in verse twenty? _____

According to verse twenty-one, how was prophecy produced? _____
