

Peter's Passion

Early in discipleship, Peter's passion: Peter

- Conceit, Mt.20:20...24.
- Courage, Mt.26:31-35.
- Collapse, Mt.26:36-46.
- Confusion, Mt.26:51-54.
- Cowardice, Mt.26:69-75.

Lord's training:
passion
changed.

Jn.21

Ga.2

I. The Passage

2 Pt.1:12-15

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- Firm: not negligent; always ready.
- Faithful: always...‘these things.’ 1 Pt.3:15
- Focused: ‘these things’ (5-11).
- Fervent: already established, yet...
 - *Remind*: we forget what we don’t use.
 - *Recall*: Peter reminds; they recall.
 - *Review*: establish (1 Pt.5:10).

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Right ... thing to do.

- In this tent – 2 Co.5.
- Stir up – wake up, arouse from sleep. 3:1
- By memory.

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- Knowing: no doubt; Lord said so.
- Shortly ... put off tent. Jn.21:18-19.
 - 2 Co.5:1, 4

¹ For we know that if our earthly house, this tent, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens . . . ⁴ For we who are in this tent groan, being burdened, not because we want to be unclothed, but further clothed, that mortality may be swallowed up by life.

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- Careful: hurry, hasten; be especially conscientious in discharging an obligation
- Ensure: so that you may be able (be in position to do something)
- Always: at any time
- Reminder: of these things
- Decease: a way out. Lk.9:31

I. The Passage: 2 Pt.1:12-15

II. The Problem
(We)

“We have met the enemy and he is us”

- We may get distracted. -1:9 (Lk.10)
- We may be disputed. -2:20-22 (Ac.15)
- We may get discouraged. -3:1-8

I. The Passage: 2 Pt.1:12-15

II. The Problem: (We)

III. The Principles

1. A Good teacher repeats

- Jesus, the Master Teacher
- Good students relish repetition

2. A Good teacher wants hearers to . . .

- Learn the Scriptures
- Grow in strength
- Mature in skills

'Knowledge' in 2 Peter:

1:2,3,5,6,8 [12]

2:20

3:[17] 18

3. Memory of Scripture is key to spiritual growth / faithfulness

- Key to memory:
 - Repetition
 - Time
 - Zeal
 - Purpose
 - Goal
- Some begin well...quit

4. Memory of Scripture...

- Prompts submission. Hb.5:8-9
- Protects from sin. Saul / Saul
- Promotes teaching skills. Ac.18

5. All who live in a tent: act now

‘I’d give 40 years to
know the Bible like X’

6. Attitudes determine eternal destiny

- Make your election sure! (v.10)

Conclusion

1. Admit: future of Lord's church depends on informed Christians. 2 Pt.1:16
2. Appeal: vow that 2019 will become year of our greatest spiritual growth. 1 Pt.5:10
3. Act: plan now for then. 2 Pt.2:7-9