

1Peter and 2 Peter

2Peter 1:1-21 Stay Focused and
Keep Growing!

PETER SERIES - WEEK #10

1MOSAIC CHURCH

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^{NIV} **1 Peter 5:8-14** *Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. ⁹ Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings. ¹⁰ And the **God of all grace**, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, **will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast.** ¹¹ To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen.*

¹² *With the help of Silas, whom I regard as a faithful brother, I have written to you briefly, encouraging you and testifying that this is the true grace of God. **Stand fast in it.*** ¹³ *She who is in Babylon, chosen together with you, sends you her greetings, and so does my son Mark. ¹⁴ Greet one another with a kiss of love. Peace to all of you who are in Christ.*

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- ◉ Theme: Practical Christian living in the midst of false teachers and negative influences.
- ◉ Key Words: Knowledge/Know **11x**; Make every effort **4x**
- ◉ Outline of Chapter 1:
 - **Greeting and Introduction: 1:1-2**
 - **Grow in Knowledge and Faith: 1:3-11**
 - We have been given everything we need – vv.3-4
 - “Make every effort” – vv.5-11
 - **The Last Words of a Dying Man: 1:12-21**
 - Know that Jesus is Real – vv.12-18
 - Know that God’s Word is Real and True – vv.19-21

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^{NIV} **2 Peter 1:1-4** Simon Peter, a servant [Doulos] and apostle of Jesus Christ, To those who through the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ have received a faith [just] as precious as ours: ² Grace and peace be yours in abundance through the **knowledge of God** and of Jesus our Lord.

³ His divine power **has given us everything we need** for a godly life through our **knowledge of him** who called us by his own glory and goodness. ⁴ Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature, having escaped the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.

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NIV 2 Peter 1:5-11 ⁵ For this very reason, **make every effort** to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, **knowledge**; ⁶ and to **knowledge**, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; ⁷ and to godliness, mutual affection (brotherly kindness); and to mutual affection, love. ⁸ **For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.** ⁹ But if whoever does not have them, is nearsighted and blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their past sins.

¹⁰ Therefore, my brothers and sisters, **make every effort** to confirm your calling and election. **For if you do these things, you will never stumble,** ¹¹ and you will receive a rich welcome into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

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NIV 2 Peter 1:12-18 ¹² So I will always remind you of these things, even though **you know them** and are firmly established in the truth you now have. ¹³ I think it is right to refresh your memory as long as I live in the tent of this body, ¹⁴ because I know that I will soon put it aside, as our Lord Jesus Christ has made clear to me. ¹⁵ And I will **make every effort** to see that after my departure you will always be able to remember these things.

¹⁶ For we did not follow cleverly devised (invented) stories when we told you about the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ in power, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷ For he received honor and glory from God the Father when the voice came to him from the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased." ¹⁸ We ourselves heard this voice that came from heaven when we were with him on the sacred mountain.

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^{NIV} **2 Peter 1:19-21** *We also have the prophetic message as **something completely reliable**, and you will do well to pay attention to it, as to a light shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. ²⁰ Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation of things. ²¹ For prophecy never had its origin in the human will, but prophets, though human, spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.*

🕒 Take Away #1: Stand Firm!

^{NIV} *James 4:7 Submit yourselves to God. Resist the Devil and he will flee from you.*

^{NIV} *Exodus 14:13 Moses answered, “Don’t be afraid. Stand firm and you will see the deliverance the LORD will bring you today.”*

🕒 Take Away #2: Are you a Doulos or a Volunteer?

^{NIV} *Mark 9:35 Jesus called the twelve and said, “Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all.”*

Take Away #3: Are you Growing or Stagnating?

^{NIV} *2 Peter 1:10...For if you do these [seven] things, you will never stumble.*

Take Away #4: Jesus is Real; God's Word is True!

^{NET} *2Peter 1:16 For we did not follow cleverly concocted fairy tales...*

^{NIV} *1Peter 1:25 The Word of the Lord endures forever.*

^{NIV} *John 17:17 Your Word is truth.*