

2 Peter 3:1-9 (ESV) - “Three Rs of Christ’s Coming”

2 Peter 3 ¹This is now the second letter that I am writing to you, beloved. In both of them I am stirring up your sincere mind by way of reminder, ²that you should remember the predictions of the holy prophets and the commandment of the Lord and Savior through your apostles,

³knowing this first of all, that scoffers will come in the last days with scoffing, following their own sinful desires. ⁴They will say, “Where is the promise of his coming? For ever since the fathers fell asleep, all things are continuing as they were from the beginning of creation.”

⁵For they deliberately overlook this fact, that the heavens existed long ago, and the earth was formed out of water and through water by the word of God, ⁶and that by means of these the world that then existed was deluged with water and perished. ⁷But by the same word the heavens and earth that now exist are stored up for fire, being kept until the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly.

⁸But do not overlook this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. ⁹The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.

1. R_____ the TRUTH (vv.1-2)

O.T. _____ Predictions (Dn. 7; Is. 66; Mal.4)

N.T. _____ Promises (Jn.14; Mt.24; Rv.22)

“Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, is Coming, and He will Judge the Living and the Dead.”

- *Apostle’s Creed*

2. R_____ what is FALSE (vv.3-4)

Scoffers will Scoff at the _____

“Where is the promise of his coming?”

- *2 Peter 3:4*

3. R_____ what is FALSE with FACTS (vv.5-9)

God’s Powerful Deeds of the Past

Point to His Future Judgment

- God Spoke the World into

Existence and Formed it

- God once Flooded the World
and _____ it

- God Will one day Destroy the
World with Fire and _____ it!

God’s Timing is Not Our Timing,

and His Character is Unchanging

- He is Not _____ to Fulfill nor

_____ in His Judgment!

“The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty..”

- *Exodus 34:6-7*

“As I live, declares the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live..”

- *Ezekiel 33:11*

