

Main Idea: The grace of God in Christ transforms and empowers Christians to live righteously.

Context of 2 Peter

- **Author:** Peter
- **Audience:** Gentile-Christian Churches throughout Asia Minor
- **Situation:** Combating false teachers with reminders of God's Grace

God's Grace Transforms us (1:3-11)

- We have been granted all things pertaining to life & godliness
- We have escaped from the corruption of sin, so proclaim our faith with godly living
- Live with diligence as an assurance of our salvation in Christ

God's Word Equips us (1:12-21)

- Reminders of God's truth prepares us for whatever comes our way
- The Word that we behold is true, empowered by the Holy Spirit, bearing witness to the majesty of God

God's Promise Strengthens us (3:1-13)

- We can trust in the Lord's Promises by knowing His past actions
- The Lord is Patient with His creation
- Waiting according to His promise

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Intro Question: Has someone ever told you something and you knew they were lying, how did you know?

Teaching Part 1

God's Grace Transforms us

Read 2 Peter 1:5-9 Peter lays out the qualities we should be seeking to have and live out, what are qualities that you currently live out well, and what are qualities you need to work on?

God's Word Equips us

Read 2 Peter 1:19-2:3 How do we guard against false teaching that we come across in the world?

We must first be able to discern what teaching is false, and what teaching is just hard for us to hear because it contradicts what the world tells us is good. To guard against this false teaching we must know what the Word of God says about how we should live.

Teaching Part 2

God's Promise Strengthens us

Read Peter 3:11-13 We know that this world is going to come to an end, how should this impact how we live now? The promise of Jesus' return should cause us to live with an active mindset, to look for ways to tell others the grace that we get to know intimately, and to hope in the new heavens in the new earth where we will be glorified with Jesus.

Read 2 Peter 1:1-3 In light of all we have learned in 2 Peter, how does seeing the Grace of God in the past and in our lives now strengthen us in light of the future? Knowing the promises God has answered in the past should cause us to trust the Lord more fully, and seeing how He continues to sustain us and supply us now. So we live trusting that what He has said about the glory of being with Him in eternity is true.

Answer to Remember: The letters of the New Testament are God's inspired instructions to His people about the gospel, the Christian life, and the Church.

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