

2 Peter 01 – 1:1-10

1. Book Summary – 61 verses – 3 chapters

- a. Popular passages – “private interpretation” 2 Pet 1:21; “one day=1000 yrs” 3:6-10
- b. Dispensational context:
 - i. Peter is writing during the kingdom delay; to the remnant – 2 Peter 3:1
 - ii. The timing of the epistle → 2 Peter 3:15 (after Acts 9, and Acts 15)
- c. Themes:
 - i. Remember the promises and commandments → 1:12,13,15 ; 3:1
 - ii. Beware of false prophets / scoffers → 1:10, 2:2-3; 3:3

2. 1:1-4 – The precious faith of God’s promised people

- a. Simon was called Peter, Cephas by Christ – John 1:42; Mat 16:18
- b. Peter’s apostleship was fading – 1:14, Gal 2:9 (James is first, also Acts 21:18)
- c. “like precious faith with us” – This is the kingdom gospel / Acts 2:42, Mark 1:14
 - i. Belief in his name as the Son of God - John 20:31 (Gal 1:23)
- d. Peter’s faith was not popular, prophets were declining, errors abound - 1 Sam 3:1
- e. “grace be multiplied” – It will be in the future - 1Pet 1:13
- f. They received life through the knowledge of Jesus – 1:3
- g. Jesus confirmed the promises – 1:4, Rom 9:4, 15:8, Heb 10:6
- h. Partakers of the divine nature – John 1:12-13

3. 1:5-8 – Being fruitful in the knowledge of Christ

- a. “giving all diligence” – adding to their faith good works “virtue” – Jam 1:22
- b. “temperance” – *def.* moderation (not self-control)
- c. Godliness - *def* submission or reverence towards God’s instructions
- d. A progression from internal to external – faith to charity – 1:5-7
- e. “shall neither be barren nor unfruitful” – Rom 11:20-22, John 15:1-6
- f. You shall know them by their fruit – Mat 3:10, 7:16, 12:33
- g. The parable of the vineyard – Mat 21:33-35

4. 5:9-11 – A sure entrance into the kingdom

- a. “these things” – the added works to faith
- b. “he that lacketh” – Blindness – 1 John 2:9-11
- c. “we know... by” – 1 John 3:14, James 2:18
- d. “purged” – the transition from old to new - Heb 9:14-15
- e. God chose the little flock remnant as the holy nation – Luke 12:32, Mat 21:43
- f. The election to the kingdom – Rom 11:7
- g. “if you do...shall never fall” – 2 Pet 3:17, Mat 6:33
- h. “an entrance into the kingdom” – Mat 25:34-35