

# **Living In Scripture**

**2 Peter 1:12-21**

**Matthew 4:4**

## **A. Don't Stop Studying Scripture (1:12-15)**

### **1. Be careful to remember (1:12)**

**Colossians 3:16**

**James 1:23-25**

### **2. Be committed to reassure (1:13)**

**2 Timothy 2:2**

### **3. Be committed to endure (1:14-15)**

**John 21:15-19**

**a. To the conclusion (v 14)**

**b. To the command (v 15)**

**Ephesians 4:3**

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**2 Peter 1:12-21**

**Matthew 4:4**

## **B. Don't Doubt Scripture (1:16-18)**

### **1. About Christ's power (1:16)**

#### **a. Speaks for itself**

**1 Corinthians 2:4-5**

#### **b. Saw it with our own eyes**

**1 John 1:1-4**

### **2. About Christ's glory (1:17-18)**

**Matthew 16:28-17:5**

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## **C. Don't Forget Who The Author Of Scripture Is (1:19-21)**

**1. Words that can be completely trusted (1:19)**

**John 6:68-69**

**2. Words that are openly known (1:20)**

**1 Corinthians 2:11-12**

**3. Words that are given by God**

**2 Timothy 3:16**

**Psalms 119:101-105**

# **Living In Warfare**

**2 Peter 2:1-9**

**There is a war going on for truth**

# **I. Avoid Apostasy (2:1-3)**

## **2 Peter 2:1**

**But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction.**

# **I. Avoid Apostasy (2:1-3)**

## **A. Avoid false teachers (2:1)**

### **1. The history**

#### **1 Kings 22:8**

**And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, There is yet one man, Micaiah the son of Imlah, by whom we may enquire of the LORD: but I hate him; for he doth not prophesy good concerning me, but evil. And Jehoshaphat said, Let not the king say so.**

**When you surround yourself with false prophets you do not want to hear the truth**

# **I. Avoid Apostasy (2:1-3)**

## **A. Avoid false teachers (2:1) - continued**

### **2. The here and now**

#### **Matthew 7:14-15**

**14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.**

**15 Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.**

## **I. Avoid Apostasy (2:1-3)**

### **A. Avoid false teachers (2:1) - continued**

#### **3. The heresies**

#### **1 Corinthians 11:18-19**

**18 For first of all, when ye come together in the church, I hear that there be divisions among you; and I partly believe it.**

**19 For there must be also heresies among you, that they which are approved may be made manifest among you.**



## **I. Avoid Apostasy (2:1-3)**

### **A. Avoid false teachers (2:1) - continued**

#### **4. The hereafter**

#### **Psalm 73:17-19**

**17 Until I went into the sanctuary of God; then understood I their end.**

**18 Surely thou didst set them in slippery places: thou castedst them down into destruction.**

**19 How are they brought into desolation, as in a moment! they are utterly consumed with terrors.**

## **I. Avoid Apostasy (2:1-3)**

### **B. Avoid false followers (2:2)**

**2 Peter 2:2**

**And many shall follow their **pernicious** ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of.**

**1. They follow because it sounds good**

**2 Timothy 4:3**

**For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;**

## **I. Avoid Apostasy (2:1-3)**

### **B. Avoid false followers (2:2) - continued**

#### **2. They are ignorant of the truth of Christ**

#### **Philippians 3:18-19**

**18 (For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ:**

**19 Whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things.)**

# I. Avoid Apostasy (2:1-3)

## C. Avoid false pretense (2:3)

### 2 Peter 2:3

And through covetousness shall they with **feigned** words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not.

## **I. Avoid Apostasy (2:1-3)**

### **C. Avoid false pretense (2:3) - continued**

#### **1. That false teachers are concerned for you**

**1 Timothy 6:5**

**Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth, supposing that gain is godliness: from such withdraw thyself.**

**Titus 1:10-11**

**10 For there are many unruly and vain talkers and deceivers, specially they of the circumcision:**

**11 Whose mouths must be stopped, who subvert whole houses, teaching things which they ought not, for filthy lucre's sake.**

## **I. Avoid Apostasy (2:1-3)**

### **C. Avoid false pretense (2:3) - continued**

**2. They falsely believe that they are not under God's judgment**

**Psalm 73:17-18**

**17 Until I went into the sanctuary of God; then understood I their end.**

**18 Surely thou didst set them in slippery places: thou castedst them down into destruction.**

**Jude 1:4**

**For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.**

## **II. Acknowledge God's Judgment (2:4-6)**

### **A. On fallen angels (2:4)**

#### **2 Peter 2:4**

**For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment;**

#### **Revelation 12:4**

**And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born.**

## **II. Acknowledge God's Judgment (2:4-6)**

### **A. On fallen angels (2:4) - continued**

**Jude 1:6**

**And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.**



## **II. Acknowledge God's Judgment (2:4-6)**

### **B. On a fallen world (2:5)**

**2 Peter 2:5**

**And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;**

## **II. Acknowledge God's Judgment (2:4-6)**

### **B. On a fallen world (2:5)**

#### **Genesis 6:5-8**

**5 And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.**

**6 And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart.**

**7 And the LORD said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them.**

**8 But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.**

## **II. Acknowledge God's Judgment (2:4-6)**

### **C. On a fallen city (2:6)**

#### **2 Peter 2:6**

**And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha into ashes condemned them with an overthrow, making them an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly;**

#### **1. That forget God's judgment**

#### **Romans 1:31-32**

**31 Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful:**

**32 Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.**

## **II. Acknowledge God's Judgment (2:4-6)**

### **C. On a fallen city (2:6)**

#### **2. That refuses God's Word**

**Matthew 10:14-15**

**14 And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear your words, when ye depart out of that house or city, shake off the dust of your feet.**

**15 Verily I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrha in the day of judgment, than for that city.**

### **III. Acquire God's Deliverance (2:7-9)**

#### **A. Lot's standing (2:7-8)**

**2 Peter 2:7-8**

**7 And delivered just Lot, vexed with the filthy conversation of the wicked:**

**8 (For that righteous man dwelling among them, in seeing and hearing, vexed his righteous soul from day to day with their unlawful deeds;)**

### **III. Acquire God's Deliverance (2:7-9)**

#### **A. Lot's standing (2:7-8)**

##### **1. With God**

**Romans 5:1**

**Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:**

### **III. Acquire God's Deliverance (2:7-9)**

#### **A. Lot's standing (2:7-8) - continued**

##### **2. With the world**

#### **Genesis 19:1-3**

**1 And there came two angels to Sodom at even; and Lot sat in the gate of Sodom: and Lot seeing them rose up to meet them; and he bowed himself with his face toward the ground;**

**2 And he said, Behold now, my lords, turn in, I pray you, into your servant's house, and tarry all night, and wash your feet, and ye shall rise up early, and go on your ways. And they said, Nay; but we will abide in the street all night.**

**3 And he pressed upon them greatly; and they turned in unto him, and entered into his house; and he made them a feast, and did bake unleavened bread, and they did eat.**

### **III. Acquire God's Deliverance (2:7-9)**

#### **A. Lot's standing (2:7-8) - continued**

##### **2. With the world - continued**

**James 4:4**

**Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.**



### **III. Acquire God's Deliverance (2:7-9)**

#### **B. Lot's safety (2:9)**

**2 Peter 2:9**

**The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished:**

### **III. Acquire God's Deliverance (2:7-9)**

#### **B. Lot's safety (2:9) - continued**

##### **1. God knows what it will take**

#### **Genesis 19:15-16**

**15 And when the morning arose, then the angels hastened Lot, saying, Arise, take thy wife, and thy two daughters, which are here; lest thou be consumed in the iniquity of the city.**

**16 And while he lingered, the men laid hold upon his hand, and upon the hand of his wife, and upon the hand of his two daughters; the LORD being merciful unto him: and they brought him forth, and set him without the city.**

### **III. Acquire God's Deliverance (2:7-9)**

#### **B. Lot's safety (2:9) - continued**

##### **2. He can continue to deliver**

**Psalm 56:13**

**For thou hast delivered my soul from death: wilt not thou deliver my feet from falling, that I may walk before God in the light of the living?**

### **III. Acquire God's Deliverance (2:7-9)**

#### **C. Listen to the warning (2:9)**

**Hebrews 10:26-27**

**26 For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins,**

**27 But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries.**

# **Are We Winning Or Losing?**

**1 Timothy 6:12**

**Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses.**