

# The Books of I and II Peter

## *LESSON EIGHT*

### *II Peter 3:1-18*

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## LESSON EIGHT

### 1 Look in His Word

*Feel free to underline, circle or otherwise mark text if it will aid your study.*

*II Peter 3:1-2*

<sup>1</sup>Dear friends, this is now my second letter to you. I have written both of them as reminders to stimulate you to wholesome thinking.

<sup>2</sup>I want you to recall the words spoken in the past by the holy prophets and the command given by our Lord and Savior through your apostles.

### 2 List the Facts

*What does the passage say? Make a verse-by-verse list of the most obvious, outstanding facts. Be literal as you answer.*

*Example:*

*(3:1) Peter's letters are written to stimulate wholesome thinking.*

## LESSON EIGHT

### 3 Learn from the Lessons

*What does the passage mean? What lessons can be learned from these facts? Be spiritual as you answer.*

*Example:*

*(3:1) We are to stimulate others to think on eternal things.*

### 4 Listen to His Voice

*What does this passage mean to you? Rewrite the lessons from step 3 in the form of a question. Be personal as you answer.*

*Example:*

*(3:1) Does my conversation stimulate others to think on temporal or eternal things?*

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### 2 List the Facts

*II Peter 3:3-7*

<sup>3</sup>First of all, you must understand that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires.

<sup>4</sup>They will say, “Where is this ‘coming’ he promised? Ever since our fathers died, everything goes on as it has since the beginning of creation.”

<sup>5</sup>But they deliberately forget that long ago by God’s word the heavens existed and the earth was formed out of water and by water.

<sup>6</sup>By these waters also the world of that time was deluged and destroyed.

<sup>7</sup>By the same word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men.

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*II Peter 3:8-10*

<sup>8</sup>But do not forget this one thing, dear friends:  
With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and  
a thousand years are like a day.

<sup>9</sup>The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise,  
as some understand slowness. He is patient with  
you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone  
to come to repentance.

<sup>10</sup>But the day of the Lord will come like a  
thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the  
elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth  
and everything in it will be laid bare.

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### 2 List the Facts

*II Peter 3:11-13*

<sup>11</sup>Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives

<sup>12</sup>as you look forward to the day of God and speed its coming. That day will bring about the destruction of the heavens by fire, and the elements will melt in the heat.

<sup>13</sup>But in keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness.



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### 2 List the Facts

*II Peter 3:14-18*

<sup>14</sup>So then, dear friends, since you are looking forward to this, make every effort to be found spotless, blameless and at peace with him.

<sup>15</sup>Bear in mind that our Lord's patience means salvation, just as our dear brother Paul also wrote you with the wisdom that God gave him.

<sup>16</sup>He writes the same way in all his letters, speaking in them of these matters. His letters contain some things that are hard to understand, which ignorant and unstable people distort, as they do the other Scriptures, to their own destruction.

<sup>17</sup>Therefore, dear friends, since you already know this, be on your guard so that you may not be carried away by the error of lawless men and fall from your secure position.

<sup>18</sup>But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen.

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**5** Live in Response

*How will you respond? Pinpoint what God is saying to you from this passage. Write down today's date and what you will do now about what He has said.*

# NOTES