

A DEEPER DIVE

2 Peter 2
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Micah 6:8—He has shown you, oh mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God. – NIV.

Monday: Reading – 2 Peter chapter 3

Consider this – 2 Peter 3

In 2 Peter 1:1, Peter says that he’s writing his letters as a reminder. Go back and read through 2 Peter in one sitting, with this in mind. Peter says he wants to, “stir up your pure minds by way of reminder” (NKJV). What, exactly do you think he’s trying to get his readers to think about?

Prayer Focus – Spend today in personal prayer. What are you in need of? What is weighing on your heart? Health concerns? Financial issues? Dealing with sin? Are there family members and friends who are lost? Pray for them by name and ask the Lord to give you more opportunities to act in love and speak with grace to them. Lay everything you are dealing with before the Lord. Put 1 Peter 5:7 into purposeful practice.

Tuesday: Reading – 2 Peter chapter 3

Consider this – 2 Peter 1-3

In my NKJV study Bible, there is a chart about this letter of Peter’s. The chart is titled Right Living in a Wretched World. So that’s what I want to focus on this week. Read the 2 Peter and focus on the spiritual growth that Peter is trying to help his readers achieve.

Read chapter 1:1-15.

Peter is focusing on Godly Living. What does Peter say about what we have in Christ? What does he say about the divine nature (and what does that mean?). What does he say about our old, corrupt, sinful nature?

Prayer Focus – Keep it local. Spend today in local prayer. Remember the prayer requests and needs from Sunday (refer to your prayer list if you keep one on Sundays). Lift up the fellowship. Pray for your pastors and elders. Pray for the workers at the church and the ministries. Pray for financial blessing so that the reach of the church can increase. Remind the Lord about what you prayed for yesterday.

Wednesday: Reading – 2 Peter chapter 3

Consider this – 2 Peter 1-3

Read chapter 1:16-21; 3:1-2. This section is focused on the reliance on the Scriptures. What point does Peter make to show that the apostles didn’t just make everything up? What does he say about the inspiration of the prophets and apostles? The world is a place of darkness, how do the Scriptures provide light? How do they provide truth in a world that is relativistic?

Prayer Focus – Pray for our nation. We are having tough times right now. Be a peacemaker, and pray that the Lord would bless and spare our nation. Pray that in each community the churches can come together to show the grace and love of God through helping the recovery. Remember to pray for your personal needs, and the local needs.

Thursday: Reading – 2 Peter chapter 3

Consider this – 2 Peter 1-3

2:1-22. Here Peter is focusing on opposition to false teaching. I can't find anywhere in this section that Peter tells his readers to confront these teachers. He criticizes them; he shows them for the liars that they are; he makes the case that the Lord's judgement is what is in store for these people. What does Peter, as relates to the believers in the church, focus on concerning the lives of believers and how we should respond to false teachers?

Prayer Focus – Spend today in prayer for the world. Pray for those in war zones like Ukraine and Russia, Israel, Gaza, Lebanon, Sudan, and any other place you know of. Pray for our missionary partners. Pray for those in disaster areas. Pray for a united, active, and gospel preaching church all around the world. Remember to pray for your personal needs, the local needs, and our country.

Friday: Reading – 2 Peter chapter 3; Proverbs 9:7-8; 21:24; 22:10; 24:9.

Consider this – 2 Peter 3

The fourth category is that of watchfulness. Read 3:3-18. What is the focus of this section? Peter starts off talking about scoffers. Scoffers are gonna scoff. Read what Proverbs says about scoffers. What, according to Peter, are the scoffers scoffing about? Why is it so important for us to focus on the return of Christ? How can this focus help us to avoid being seduced by the words of the false teachers? Peter spends time writing about the second coming and that we should not doubt that it will happen. When did Peter write this? Do Peter's statements then still resonate today?

Prayer Focus – Spend today praying for the soon return of Christ. Pray that while Christ's coming is still in the future, God will use you to expand His kingdom. Lift up all of the needs from the week and pray for wisdom and readiness.

Saturday: Reading – 2 Peter chapter 3

Consider this – 2 Peter 3

Think about this from the Henri Nouwen Society–

Every time we see a major crisis in the history of the Church, such as the Great Schism of the eleventh century, the Reformation of the sixteenth century, or the immense secularization of the twentieth century, we always see that a major cause of rupture is the power exercised by those who claim to be followers of the poor and powerless Jesus. What makes the temptation to power so seemingly irresistible? Maybe it is that power offers an easy substitute for the hard task of love. It seems easier to be God than to love God, easier to control people than to love people, easier to own life than to love life.

Prayer Focus – Spend today praying for your Pastors and the people who are making things happen on Sunday. Include the teachers, the behind-the-scenes workers, the worship team, the regular attendees, and that there will be new people who come to the service and maybe meet Jesus for the first time.

Sunday: Go to church with the anticipation of hearing from the Lord.

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