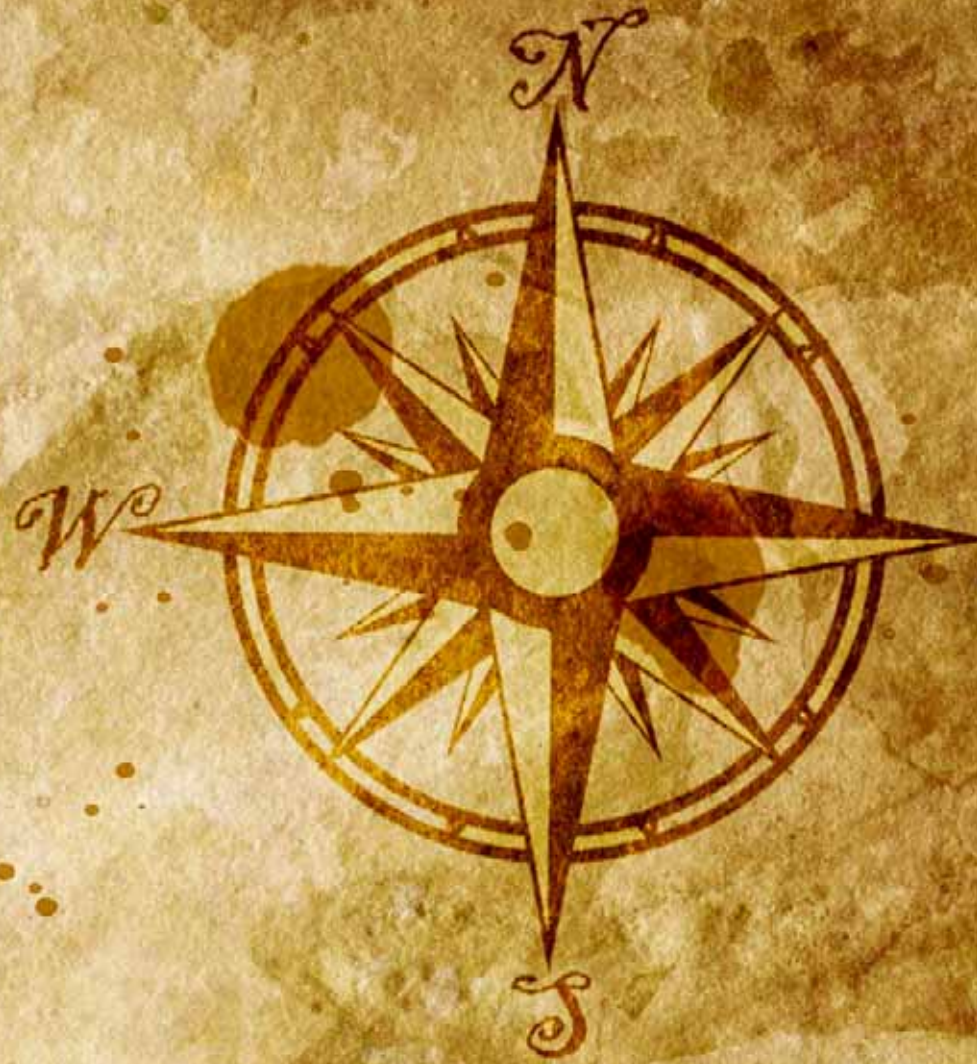


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## 2 Peter



# How To Live While Waiting For Christ's Return

## 2 Peter 3:14-18

# ***Introduction To Our Study***

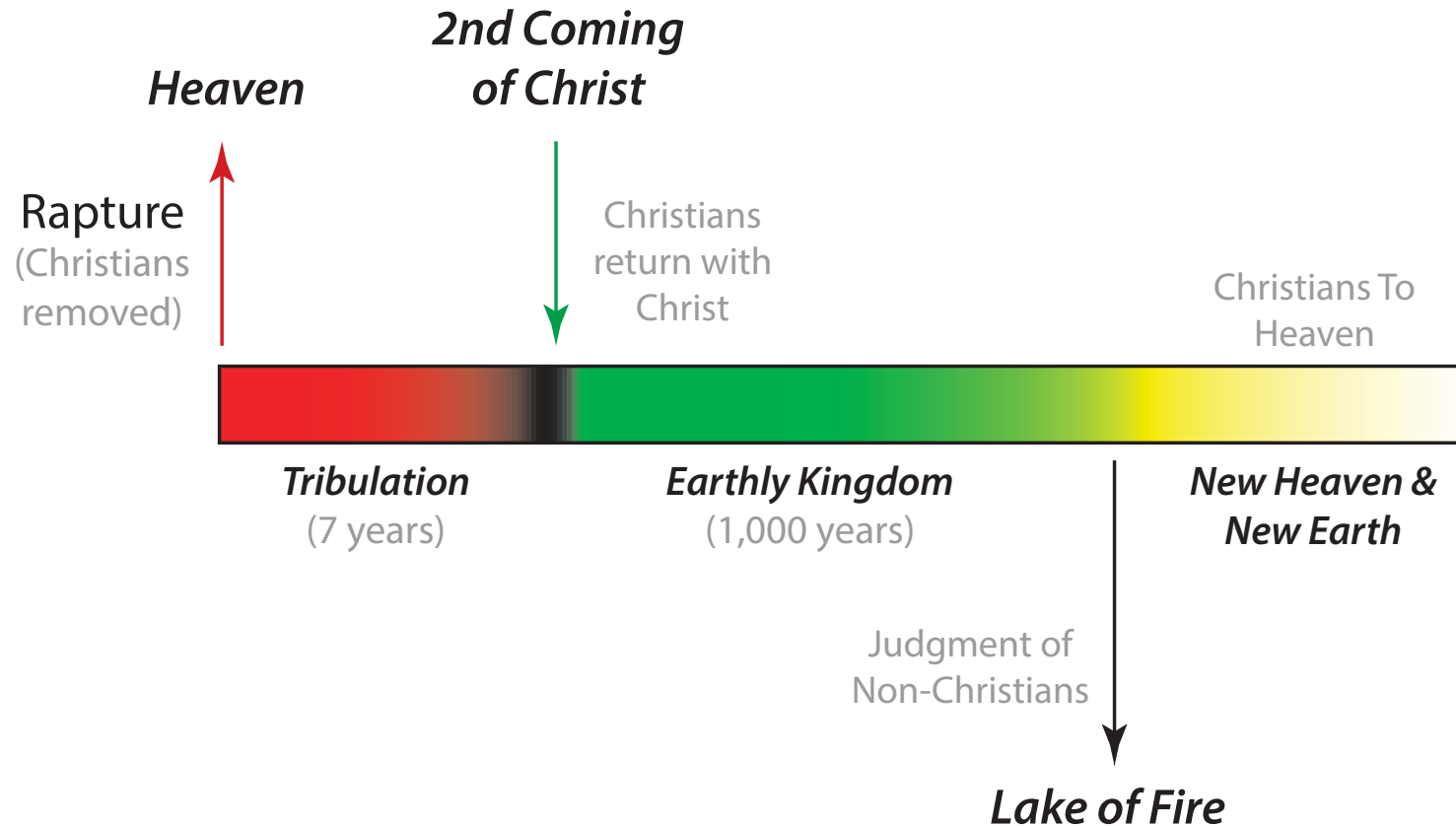
**These are the \_\_\_\_\_ written words of the apostle Peter.**

**In this study what does Peter reveal that he knows about his readers in verse 14 and 17?**

**What did Peter do in to 2 Peter 1:12, 13 and 15 and now in 2 Peter 3:14-18?**

**Why did Peter do this?**

# *Peter's Message Since Chapter One*



- Warned about false teachers!
- Reminded us of the Father's future plans.
- Reminded us of our glorious future.

# ***First Character Trait***

2 Peter 3:14

1. **What does “diligent” mean in 2 Peter 3:14?**
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. **What is revealed in the following verses about ”peace”?**
  - **Romans 16:20**
  - **Romans 5:1**
  - **John 14:27**
  - **Matthew 5:9**
  - **Romans 8:6**
  - **Romans 14:17**

# ***2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Character Traits***

2 Peter 3:14

**2. What does Peter mean by “spotless” in 2 Peter 3:14?**

**2. What does Peter mean by “blameless” in 2 Peter 3:14?**

**What is meant by these character traits being “in Him”?**

# **4<sup>th</sup> Character Trait**

2 Peter 3:15

- **What two things can we learn from the statement "Regard the patience of our Lord as salvation"?**
  - **What does this reveal about God?**
  - **What does this reveal should be true about us?**

# ***How Can We Grow In These Traits?***

2 Peter 3:15

- **What is produced by the Holy Spirit according to Galatians 5:16-21?**
- **What is produced by the Holy Spirit according to Galatians 5:22-23?**
- ***What role do we have if the Holy Spirit does all these things (Philippians 2:12-13)?***

# ***Paul As An Example For Us - 1***

2 Peter 3:15b-16

- **What does Peter say Paul wrote about too?**
- **Does “hard to understand” mean some of the things Paul wrote were impossible to understand?**
- **Who can understand what Paul wrote (2 Timothy 2:15; 2 Peter 3:16)?**



# ***Paul As An Example For Us - 2***

2 Peter 3:15b-16

- **Are you “untaught”? What does “untaught” mean?**
- **Are you “unstable”? What does “unstable” mean?**
- **What does “distort” mean?**

# ***5<sup>th</sup> Character Trait***

2 Peter 3:17

- **What is the fifth character trait that should be true of Christians as we wait for Christ's return?**
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- **Why is this warning given to us?**

# **6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Character Traits - 1**

2 Peter 3:18

- **How do we avoid falling victim to false teachers? (2 answers)**

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- **What is true about God's grace (6<sup>th</sup> character trait) for every Christian?**

- **Ephesians 2:8-9** \_\_\_\_\_

- **Romans 5:2** \_\_\_\_\_

- **1 Peter 1:13** \_\_\_\_\_

# **6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Character Traits - 2**

2 Peter 3:18

- **How do we grow in grace? (see 2 Peter 1:2)**
  
- **How do we grow in the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ (7<sup>th</sup> character trait)?**
  - **Ephesians 4:11-14**
  - **Colossians 1:28**
  - **Hebrews 5:11-14**
  - **1 Peter 2:1-2**

# ***Holy Spirit Is Essential To Our Growth***

2 Peter 3:14-18

- **What does "walking in the Spirit" produce in a Christian according to Galatians 5:16-23?**
- **How are "being filled with the Spirit" and "walking in the Spirit" related?**
- **How is Colossians 3:16-22 connected to Galatians 5:16-23 and Ephesians 5:18-21, 22, 25; 6:1, 3?**

# ***Conclusion***

2 Peter 3:18

***To Him be the glory,  
both now and to the  
day of eternity.  
Amen.***