

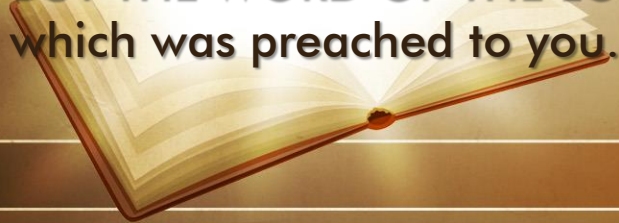
## Outline

- I. \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ Word 2 Peter 1:12-15  
Key Word = Remind

Why need to give the Word out to remind others?

Forget Neglect Reject

1 Peter 1:23-25 (NASB) 23 for you have been born again not of seed which is perishable but imperishable, that is, through the living and enduring word of God. 24 For, "ALL FLESH IS LIKE GRASS, AND ALL ITS GLORY LIKE THE FLOWER OF GRASS. THE GRASS WITHERS, AND THE FLOWER FALLS OFF, 25 BUT THE WORD OF THE LORD ENDURES FOREVER." And this is the word which was preached to you.



## Outline (continued)

II. \_\_\_\_\_ Word 2 Peter 1:16-18  
Key Word = Eyewitnesses

Matthew 16:28 (NASB)

Mount of transfiguration Matthew 17:1-9; Lk 9:28-29,31; Mark 9:3  
Revelation 21:23; 22:5 Is 60:19

Philippians 3:20-21 (NASB)





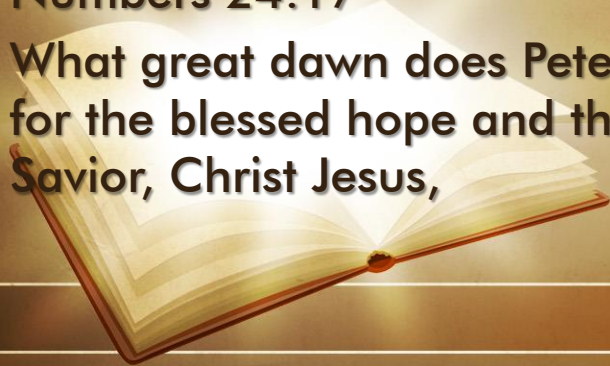
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III. \_\_\_\_\_ Word      2 Peter 1:19-21    Key Word = Source

Prophecy: More Sure    Psalm 19:7 (NASB) 7    The law of the LORD is perfect, restoring the soul; The testimony of the LORD is sure (very sure, trustworthy, stand firm, completely reliable), making wise the simple.

Day dawn    morning star arising in your hearts      Revelation 22:16  
Numbers 24:17

What great dawn does Peter have in mind?    Titus 2:13 (NASB) 13    looking for the blessed hope and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus,



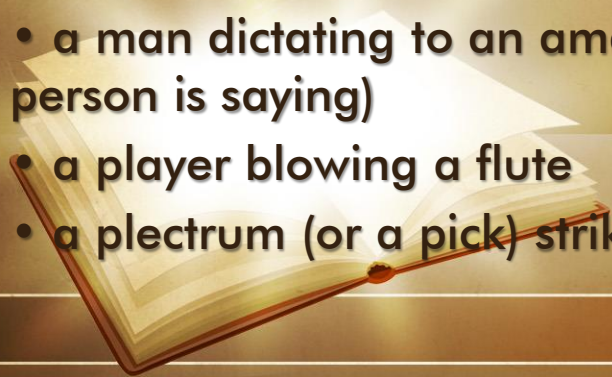
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We are not to twist or put our own interpretation into Scriptures, but compare Scripture with Scripture. The Holy Spirit is the One who inspired all of Scripture. He is the best Interpreter of all! 2 Timothy 3:14-17

The fact is that God and the Spirit are the real speakers, the men (anthropoi) are their mouthpieces."

These 3 illustrations the early church fathers used in describing the writing of the Bible:

- a man dictating to an amanuensis (a person who writes down what a person is saying)
- a player blowing a flute
- a plectrum (or a pick) striking the strings of a lyre or a stringed instrument

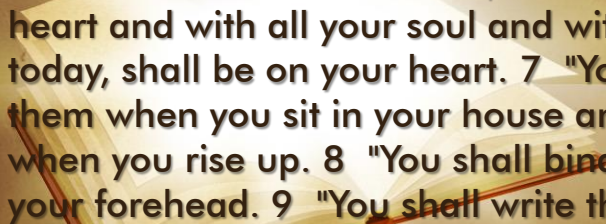




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### A Few Scriptures on the Reliability of the Word of God and our Response to the Word

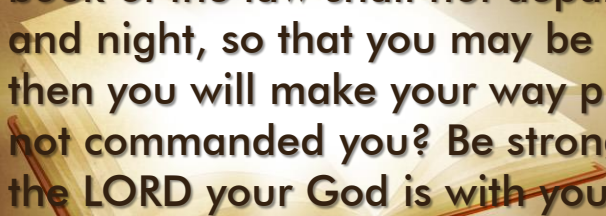
Deuteronomy 6:1-9 (NASB) 1 "Now this is the commandment, the statutes and the judgments which the LORD your God has commanded me to teach you, that you might do them in the land where you are going over to possess it, 2 so that you and your son and your grandson might fear the LORD your God, to keep all His statutes and His commandments which I command you, all the days of your life, and that your days may be prolonged. 3 "O Israel, you should listen and be careful to do it, that it may be well with you and that you may multiply greatly, just as the LORD, the God of your fathers, has promised you, in a land flowing with milk and honey. 4 "Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD is one! 5 "You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. 6 "These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart. 7 "You shall teach them diligently to your sons and shall talk of them when you sit in your house and when you walk by the way and when you lie down and when you rise up. 8 "You shall bind them as a sign on your hand and they shall be as frontals on your forehead. 9 "You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.



## Outline (continued)

Deuteronomy 8:3 (NASB) 3 "He humbled you and let you be hungry, and fed you with manna which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that He might make you understand that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by everything that proceeds out of the mouth of the LORD.

Joshua 1:7-9 (NASB) 7 "Only be strong and very courageous; be careful to do according to all the law which Moses My servant commanded you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, so that you may have success wherever you go. 8 "This book of the law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it; for then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have success. 9 "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous! Do not tremble or be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go."





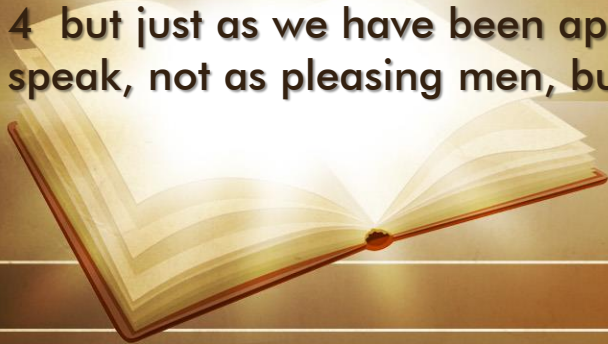
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Ezra 7:10 (NASB) 10 For Ezra had set his heart to study the law of the LORD and to practice it, and to teach His statutes and ordinances in Israel.

Psalms 12:6 (NIV) 6 And the words of the LORD are flawless, like silver refined in a furnace of clay, purified seven times.

1 Thessalonians 2:3-4 (NASB) 3 For our exhortation does not come from error or impurity or by way of deceit;

4 but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel, so we speak, not as pleasing men, but God who examines our hearts.

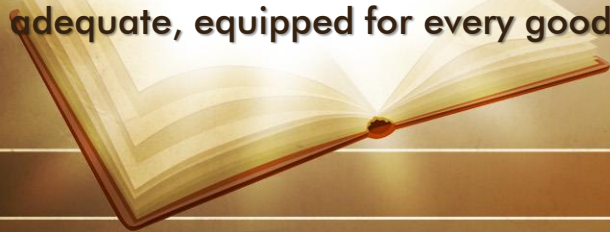


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1 Thessalonians 2:13 (NASB) 13 For this reason we also constantly thank God that when you received the word of God which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men, but for what it really is, the word of God, which also performs its work in you who believe.

2 Timothy 2:15 (ESV) 15 Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.

2 Timothy 3:14-17 (NASB) 14 You, however, continue in the things you have learned and become convinced of, knowing from whom you have learned them, 15 and that from childhood you have known the sacred writings which are able to give you the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. 16 All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; 17 so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.

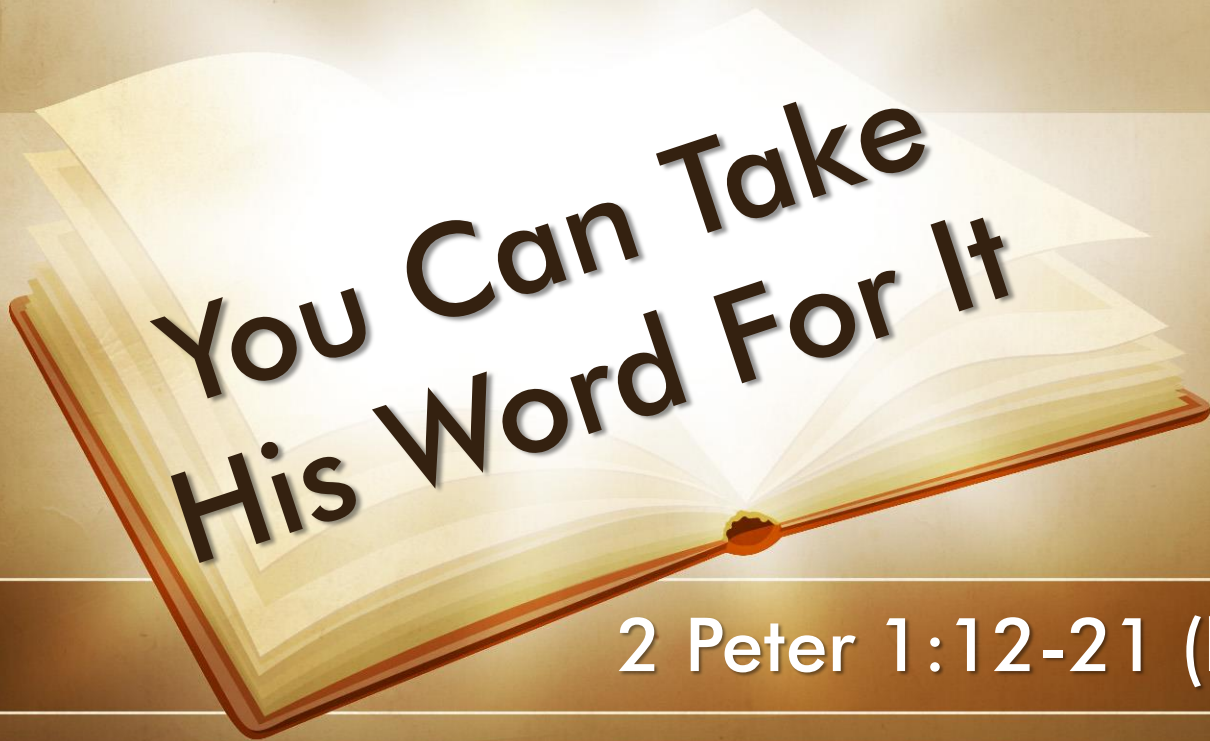




# 2 Peter

## A Life Worth Living For





2 Peter 1:12-21 (NASB)



# I. Given, Eternal Word 2 Peter 1:12-15



## 2 Peter 1:12 (NASB)



<sup>12</sup> Therefore, I will always be ready to remind you of these things, even though you *already* know *them*, and have been established in the truth which is present with you.



## 2 Peter 1:13 (NASB)



<sup>13</sup> I consider it right, as long as I am in this *earthly* dwelling, to stir you up by way of reminder,

## 2 Peter 1:14 (NASB)



<sup>14</sup> knowing that the laying aside of my *earthly* dwelling is imminent, as also our Lord Jesus Christ has made clear to me.



## 2 Peter 1:15 (NASB)



**<sup>15</sup> And I will also be diligent that at any time after my departure you will be able to call these things to mind.**

**I. Given, Eternal Word 2 Peter 1:12-15**

**II. Living Word 2 Peter 1:16-18**





## 2 Peter 1:16 (NASB)



<sup>16</sup> For we did not follow cleverly devised tales when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of His majesty.

## 2 Peter 1:17 (NASB)



<sup>17</sup> For when He received honor and glory from God the Father, such an utterance as this was made to Him by the Majestic Glory, "This is My beloved Son with whom I am well-pleased"—



## 2 Peter 1:18 (NASB)



**<sup>18</sup> and we ourselves heard this utterance made from heaven when we were with Him on the holy mountain.**



The  
Transfiguration  
by Raphael, c. 1520

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Transfiguration\\_of\\_Jesus](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Transfiguration_of_Jesus)

See Matthew 17:1-9



**I. Given, Eternal Word 2 Peter 1:12-15**

**II. Living Word 2 Peter 1:16-18**

**III. Written Word 2 Peter 1:19-21**



## 2 Peter 1:19 (NASB)



<sup>19</sup> So we have the prophetic word *made* more sure, to which you do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star arises in your hearts.



## 2 Peter 1:20 (NASB)



<sup>20</sup> But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is a *matter* of one's own interpretation,

## 2 Peter 1:21 (NASB)



**21 for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.**



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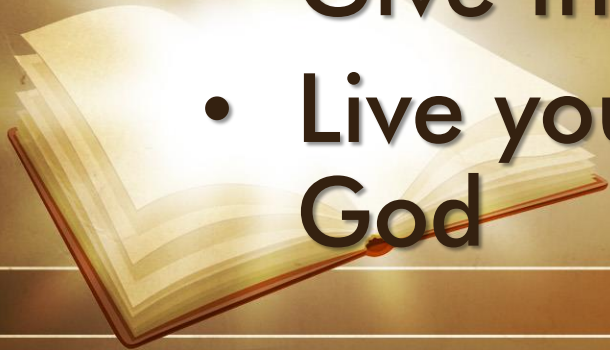
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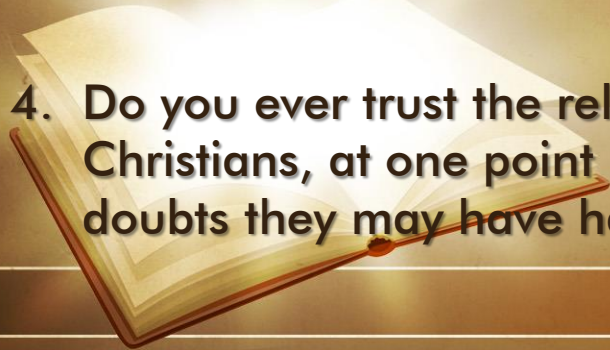
- Trust the Word of God
- Spend time in the Word of God
- Give the Word of God away
- Live your life by the Word of God





## Questions

1. In what verses do you observe references to reminder?
2. What did Peter want the reminders to do (2 Peter 1:13)?
3. What principles of discipleship does Peter model in verses 12-15? How are you following these principles with those under your spiritual care? Has someone done this for you?
4. Do you ever trust the reliability or trustworthiness of the Bible? Most Christians, at one point in their life do. Have the group open up about doubts they may have had or still have.

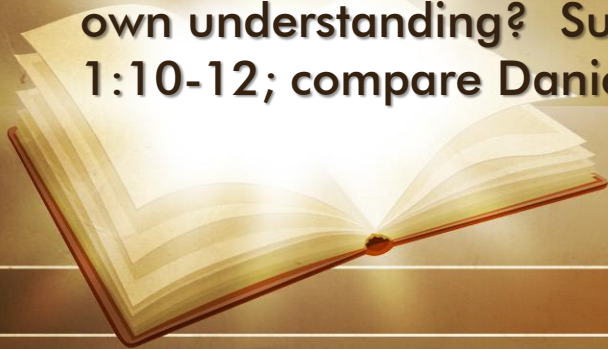


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5. What great dawn does Peter have in mind in 2 Peter 1:19? (See 2 Pet 3:3-4; Titus 2:13)

Titus 2:13 (NASB) 13 looking for the blessed hope and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus,

6. Did prophets sometimes write things which were entirely beyond their own understanding? Support your answer with these scriptures: (1 Peter 1:10-12; compare Daniel 12:8-10)



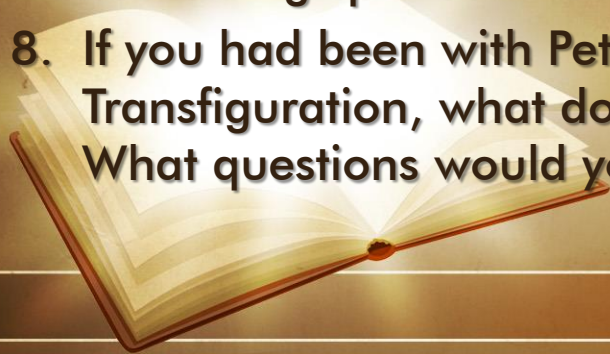


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7. Were the prophets of the Bible at any time anything more than instruments? (Support your answer with 2 Peter 1:21; compare 1 Corinthians 2:12-13)

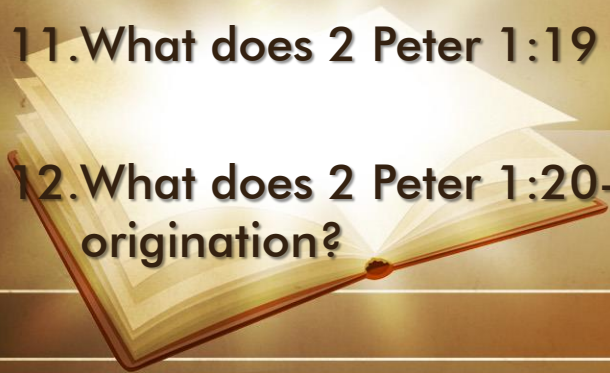
1 Corinthians 2:12-13 (NASB) 12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may know the things freely given to us by God, 13 which things we also speak, not in words taught by human wisdom, but in those taught by the Spirit, combining spiritual thoughts with spiritual words.

8. If you had been with Peter James and John on the Mount of Transfiguration, what do you think your response would have been? What questions would you want to ask Moses, Elijah and Jesus?



## Questions (continued)

9. How would Peter's eyewitness of 2 Peter 1:17-18 support any prophecy he would write in the letter?
10. What does the story of the Mount of Transfiguration in Matthew 17:1-9 have to do with having confidence either in Jesus, Peter's writings, or the Bible?
11. What does 2 Peter 1:19 reveal about the usefulness of prophecy?
12. What does 2 Peter 1:20-21 teach about the source of prophecy or its origination?





## Questions (continued)

13. What are some things that Peter says the Bible is NOT (2 Peter 1:16,20,21)? What are some things that Peter says the Bible IS (2 Peter 1:19,21)?
  
14. If a non-Christian asked you to prove the Scriptures are God's Word, on what would you base your answer? How does that answer affect your Bible study habits? Your witness? Your lifestyle?

