



## 2 PETER: STIRRING UP IN YOU

"Prepare for His Return"

2 Peter 3:1-10

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The Lord's Word has declared it Vs 1-2

1) Be Reminded: Christ will return Vs 1

2) Remember: Stand on the Promises Vs 2

- a) The Prophetic Word  
Isaiah 66:15-16; Malachi 4:1-3
- b) The Incarnate Word  
John 14:6; Matthew 22:37-39; 24:29-30; 25:31
- c) The Apostolic Word  
Ephesians 2:20; Jude 17

The Lord's enemies will deny it Vs 3-7

1) They choose to ignore & ridicule the present Vs 3-4

- a) Those who ridicule and scoff Vs 3a  
Jeremiah 17:15
- b) Those who follow their lusts Vs 3b  
Jude 17-18
- c) Those who deny because of delay Vs 4  
Jeremiah 5:12

2) They forget the past Vs 5-6

Psalms 33:9; 115:3; Matthew 24:36-39

3) They refuse to believe the promise to come Vs 7  
2 Thessalonians 1:6-8

The Lord's character demonstrates it Vs 8-10

1) The Lord's timing – it's different Vs 8

Psalms 90:4; 111:7-8

2) The Lord's patience – it's longer Vs 9

Exodus 34:6; Joel 2:12-13; Romans 2:4; Ezekiel 18:32;  
Acts 17:30-31; 1 Timothy 2:3-4; Ephesians 2:4-5

3) The judgment of God – it's certain Vs 10

Matthew 24:42-44; 1 Thessalonians 5:2-3  
Matthew 24:29; 35; Luke 21:25

### Response Questions:

1. How do these reminders of His promised return encourage you today stand firm? Why are these reminders of the Gospel so important? How can you daily remember these truths?
2. Are there those who scoff at the return of Christ today? What should our response be to them?
3. Peter says God wants all to come to repentance. What then should our desire be? How does this motivate you to share the Gospel?
4. We often rightly say, "Come, Lord Jesus!" With the desire that should be tugging at us, what should our response be to His delaying? How should it change us knowing His delay in returning is due – at least in part – to His patience?
5. Do you consider yourself patient & slow to anger like the Lord is? How do you need to become more like Him?
6. Why did God include in His Word graphic and grave pictures of His judgment? What are His purposes in describing His judgment in such terms?

