

How Do We Live Now In The Light Of Eternity?

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"Even though this dvd series was previously recorded, these truths are still timeless and vital to understanding our future as Christians. Time marches on..."

1.) Timeline of Man

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*read II Peter 3:1-14:

-Peter's outline of History and the Future:

- Stir up our minds on holy Living.
- The New Testament is equal to the Old Testament for Christians.

a.) **Scoffers will come:**

- v. 3 Why do scoffers scoff?
- vs. 3: Walking after their own lusts
- vs. 4: Willingly ignorant
- vs. 12: The Day of the Lord

- "Thief in the Night"

- There are 321 promises of the second coming of Jesus Christ in the Bible.
- Scoffers ridicule the second coming of Christ.

2.) **What Manner of People should we be?**

- Holy Conduct
- Godliness
- Looking for the Day of God
- BE DILIGENT!!
- Peace
- Without Spot
- Blameless

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- Why can't we get Christians to understand that any sacrifice they make here on earth, prepares us for eternity?

3.) One of the signs of the Last Days is that scoffers will come.

Scoffers are either:

a.) **Walking after their own lust(s).**

b.) **Willingly ignorant: The scoffer resists logic**

- A scoffer will not be persuaded

*read **John 5**: The Jews willingly denied Christ, in spite of witnessing miracles of Jesus.

c.) **Scoffers offer no HOPE: Until they face eternity themselves**

Two reasons scoffers 'scoff':

1.) **Lust**: Until their lust gets them into trouble and they look to God for help...

2.) **Until they're willing to slay, "Oh God, I am a sinner."**

-They are not being honest with themselves.

4.) How does the world ignore the fact that there was a 'Flood'??

- Order cannot come out of 'disorder': It is much easier to believe God was the Creator.

a.) **The reason they reject the flood (or are willfully ignorant), is because they do not want to believe that God is going to judge the world.**

b.) **Scoffers do not want to get their lives right with God: There is a judgement day coming...**

- The Flood screams to us "There is judgement!"

(The past day of judgement warns about a future day of judgement...)

- A day with the Lord is like a thousand years.

*read **II Peter 3:9**:

It is God's will that NO ONE be left behind.

5.) What manner of persons are we to be?

a.) Practice **Biblical generosity**: Give to those in need.

b.) Live with Holy Conduct = Make your choices in the 'Light of Eternity'

c.) Live with **Godliness**.

'You can live your life any way you want, but you only live it once.'

v.14: "Be diligent, without spot and blameless"...

- Our salvation is the greatest gift we have!

- Characteristics of the 'Spirit-Filled' Life = PEACE

d.) We need to **confess** our sins.

-There are over 1000 prophecies in the Bible about the future: Over 500 of them have been fulfilled!

-The Word of God has our 'marching orders': The Word of God should dwell in us richly.

6.) Three stages of the Christian Life:

1.) 'Baby Christian': Your sins are **forgiven**; you can get into Heaven.

2.) 'Young Man or Woman of the faith: Grow spiritually stronger

3.) 'Fathers and Mothers: 'Know God - Understand who and what God is.

-You begin to understand God when you read and meditate on the Bible.

-Grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord through the Word of God!

***This world will pass away: Live every day in the light of eternity....**

Perhaps Today - Are you ready?