

The Christian Life of the Last Days (or for any day)

1. The Revelation. Olivet Discourse. Matt 24:1-25:46
2. The Rich: Jas 5:1-11
3. The Rebellious: 2 Tim 3:1-17
4. The Rewards. 2 Tim 4:1-8
5. The Results. 2 Pet 1-3
6. The Reminder. Jude

2 Peter 1:3 Elements of Christian Growth

Outline:

1. Greetings (1:1-2)

2 Pet 1:1 = The Writer and Recipients.

C.T./L.T. = Simon Peter, a bondservant (DOULOS) and apostle (APOSTOLOS) of Jesus Christ, to those having received (LAGCHANW) by divine allotment an equally valuable faith (ISOTIMOS), by the righteousness of our God even Savior, Jesus Christ:

2 Pet 1:2 = Greetings.

C.T./L.T. = May grace and peace be multiplied (PL8THUNW) to you in the full knowledge (EPIGNWSIS) of the God even Jesus our Lord;

Summary:

1. Peter desires that God's grace and peace be manifested in new ways to the recipients of this epistle.
2. He connects the increase of grace and peace in a person's life to a closer relationship with the Lord.
3. Peter is now going to provide information that can lead them into this closer relationship.
4. God likes to multiply opportunities for your harvest. 2 Cor 9:10-11
5. Sadly, most people of the last days will multiply lawlessness instead of increasing the harvest. Matt 24:11-12

2 Pet 1:3 = All We Need Is From God.

C.T./L.T. = since (HWS) His divine (THEIOS) power (DUNAMIS) has granted by decree (DWREOMAI) to us everything pertaining to life and godliness (EUSEBEIA), through the full knowledge (EPIGNWSIS) of Him who called us to His own glory and virtue (ARET8).

Summary:

1. God's inherent power is behind the decree that we who have this faith also have _____ we need.
2. It is not a decree that we will have these things but that by decree we _____ have them.
3. "Life" is a word that connotes the _____ of existence, not simply existence.
4. "Godliness" is a _____ for the One who gave us this life.
5. As we should expect, Satan _____ these two things. 2 Tim 3:5
6. We grasp life and godliness through a _____ of our God, the Lord Jesus Christ.
7. Believers are called to observe, partake, and _____ His glory and virtue.
 - A. Virtue should be an important part of Christian _____. Php 4:8
 - B. God's virtue is a _____ part of the message we are to spread.
1 Pet 2:9
8. It reasonably follows that to be conformed to the image of Jesus Christ, we must have _____ His virtue.
9. There are several qualities that Believers must _____ in order to have a full knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ. 2 Pet 1:8

Bearing One Another's Burdens

1. Introduction:

Gal 6:1 = Restoring One Who Has Abused Freedom.

C.T. = Brethren, even if a man (ANTHRWPOS) is caught (EAN + PROLAMBANW) in any trespass (EN + TIS + PARAPTWMA), you who are spiritual (PNEUMATIKOS), restore (KATARTIDZW) such a one in a spirit of selflessness (PRAUT8S); each one looking (SKOPEW) to yourself, lest you too may be tempted (PEIRADZW).

Gal 6:2 = A Principle of "Law."

C.T./L.T. = Bear one another's burdens and thus you shall fulfill the law of the Christ.

Gal 6:3 = The Pitfall of Self-Righteousness.

C.T. = for if anyone (TIS) thinks (DOKEW) to be something, being nothing, he deceives himself (PHRENAPATAW).

Summary:

1. If we believe that we are anything other than a _____ saved by grace through faith, when we try to help someone else, we have deceived ourselves.
2. If we think ourselves to be spiritual by our _____, we have deceived ourselves. Gal 6:1-3
3. We cannot be selfless toward others if we consider ourselves _____.
4. A person might even start "playing God" and try and get the offender "indebted," by "restoring" them to worldly good graces, instead of focusing on their spiritual restoration to _____.
5. If we think ourselves to be "something" we have already _____ that test. Prov 3:5-8
6. Our righteousness is not built on another's _____.
7. God had to _____ righteousness to us for us to ever receive it. Rom 4:5-6
8. If we think ourselves to be superior, we won't want to help others and thus would never _____ the "law of Christ."
9. Self-righteousness is usually _____ to everyone and would serve to "turn off" a person caught in a trespass.
10. The one in need of restoration needs a _____ who will be caring and honest. Cf John 21
11. Deception is the act of _____ someone to accept as true and valid that which is false or invalid.
 - A. Believers are to _____ of being deceived. Eph 5:6
 - B. Satan is a _____ at deception. 2 Cor 11:3

- C. Believers need to remember that our _____ will deceive us.
Rom 7:11
- D. Self-deception occurs when we consider ourselves to be _____.
1 Cor 3:18
- E. Evidence of self-deception is an unbridled _____. Jas 1:26
- F. Those who promote the importance of relational Christianity without _____ accuracy can deceive the unsuspecting. Rom 16:18

Gal 6:4 = Self-Analysis Not Self-Righteousness.

C.T. = but (DE) let each one examine (DOKIMADZW) his own work (ERGOS), and then he will have *reason for the boast* (TO KAUCH8MA) in regard to himself alone, and not in regard to another.

Summary:

1. A characteristic of a _____ is to analyze physical phenomena and miss spiritual things. Luke 12:56
2. We can spend so much time examining the things of this _____ that we can miss out on some of the great events of eternity. Luke 14:16-24
3. We have to examine our work in view of _____ things and then live accordingly.
Rom 2:18
4. Have we presented ourselves as a living and holy _____? Rom 12:1-2
5. We are _____ to examine ourselves. 2 Cor 13:5
6. The reason we examine ourselves is to determine what is _____ to the Lord.
Eph 5:10
7. One of the reasons to examine ourselves is because _____ is examining us. When we see ourselves as God does we become closer to Him. 1 Thes 2:4
8. We must want to determine the things that are _____. Php 1:10
9. This examination needs to be related to the _____. 1 John 4:1
10. After examination, hold on to the _____. 1 Thes 5:21
11. How well we have done will become _____ when we stand in front of the Lord.
1 Cor 3:13; 1 Pet 1:7
12. Any boasting should be in what the _____ has done. 1 Cor 1:30-31