

GROWING IN THE GRACE & KNOWLEDGE OF JESUS CHRIST |
2 PETER 3:11-18

Peter wrote this letter to churches that needed to be encouraged and prepared to be faithful while being infiltrated by false teachers. He wanted to prepare the church and reaffirm that God would work out His plan in His own time. He wanted these churches to flourish amid adversity. He wanted the church to know they could trust God regarding the end times. In this last passage, he now turns to the final application. How should this effect the way you and I live each day? How must we live as we await the Lord's return while being harassed by enemies of God?

1. We must live in anticipation, being about the business of God, and the things that are eternal (3:11-13).
2. We need to work hard to not compromise, keeping in mind the day we meet God (3:14).
3. We live recognizing God's Word, and we remain on guard of those who twist the Word to justify their sin (3:15-17).
4. We live in a way where we grow in grace and seek to know Jesus more and more as we await His coming. (3:18)