

Like Precious Faith II Peter 1:1-4

Who wrote it?

To whom was he writing?

Why is he writing?

2 Peter 1

1 Simon Peter, a bondservant and apostle of Jesus Christ, To those who have obtained like precious faith with us by the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ:

2 Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord,

3 as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue,

4 by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

5 But also for this very reason, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue, to virtue knowledge,

6 to knowledge self-control, to self-control perseverance, to perseverance godliness,

7 to godliness brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness love.

8 For if these things are yours and abound, you will be neither barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

9 For he who lacks these things is shortsighted, even to blindness, and has forgotten that he was cleansed from his old sins.



10 Therefore, brethren, be even more diligent to make your call and election sure, for if you do these things you will never stumble;

11 for so an entrance will be supplied to you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

12 For this reason I will not be negligent to remind you always of these things, though you know and are established in the present truth.

13 Yes, I think it is right, as long as I am in this tent, to stir you up by reminding you,
 14 knowing that shortly I must put off my tent, just as our Lord Jesus Christ showed me.
 15 Moreover I will be careful to ensure that you always have a reminder of these things after my decease.
 16 For we did not follow cunningly devised fables when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of His majesty.
 17 For He received from God the Father honor and glory when such a voice came to Him from the Excellent Glory: "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."
 18 And we heard this voice which came from heaven when we were with Him on the holy mountain.
 19 And so we have the prophetic word confirmed, which you do well to heed as a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts;
 20 knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation,
 21 for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.
 (NKJV)

2 Peter 3

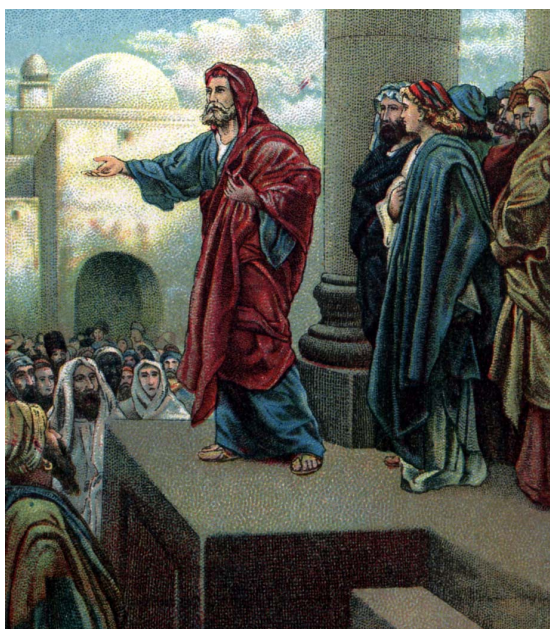
1 Beloved, I now write to you this second epistle (in both of which I stir up your pure minds by way of reminder),
 2 that you may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us, the apostles of the Lord and Savior,
 3 knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts,
 4 and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation."
 (NKJV)

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1 Simon Peter, a servant and Apostle of Jesus Christ, to those who with us have a part in the same holy faith in the righteousness of our God and Saviour Jesus Christ:
 (Bible in Basic English)

2 Peter 1

1 Simon Peter, a slave and apostle of Jesus Christ, to those who have obtained an equally precious faith with us in the righteousness of our God and Saviour Jesus Christ:
 (Montgomery's NT)



2 Peter 1

1 Simeon Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ,
 To those who have obtained a faith of equal standing with ours in the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ:
 (RSV)

The “Spiritual Ones”

- Early form of Gnosticism
- Held Knowledge above all else
- Excused Immorality – License to sin
- Discounted the Coming of Christ