

FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS
How to Overcome the Darkness by Living in the Light

FROM PAPER TO PRACTICE

2 Peter 3:11-18

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*If you **know** these things, you are blessed if you **do** them.*
John 13:17

Are you putting the truth into practice in your life?

1. The Lord calls us to live in the awe of His coming.

Since all these things are to be destroyed in this way, what sort of people ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness 2 Peter 3:11

A. The day of the Lord produces the fear of the Lord.

B. The fear of the Lord produces obedience to the Lord.

The fear of the LORD is to hate evil; pride and arrogance and the evil way, and the perverted mouth, I hate. Proverbs 8:13

2. The Lord calls us to live in the joy of His coming.

The execution of justice is joy for the righteous, But is terror to the workers of iniquity. Proverbs 21:15

A. His soon return is a cause for great excitement.

... looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God, on account of which the heavens will be destroyed by burning, and the elements will melt with intense heat! But according to His promise we are looking for new heavens and a new earth, in which righteousness dwells. 2 Peter 3:12-13

B. His soon return is an opportunity for us to witness.

Therefore, beloved, since you look for these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, spotless and blameless, and regard the patience of our Lord to be salvation; just as also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdom given him, wrote to you 2 Peter 3:14-15

* His peace in our hearts is a powerful witness.

3. The Lord calls us to live in the power of His coming.

... as also in all his letters, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which the untaught and unstable distort, as they do also the rest of the Scriptures, to their own destruction. You therefore, beloved,

knowing this beforehand, be on your guard lest, being carried away by the error of unprincipled men, you fall from your own steadfastness 2 Peter 3:16-17

A. Be on guard against deception.

B. Be proactive in spiritual growth.

... but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory, both now and to the day of eternity. Amen. 2 Peter 3:18

* Bible Study, Prayer, Worship, Fellowship, Witness

Are you living in readiness for His return?