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INTRODUCTORY MATTERS

- Authorship: Peter
- Biography: Gospels & Acts
- Date: A.D. 64
- Recipients: Regenerated, Asia Minor, Hebrews
- Place of writing: <u>Babylon</u>
- Occasion for writing: Incipient Gnosticism
- Purpose: Insulation from false teaching
- Structure: 3 parts
- Message: <u>Protection from false teachers</u>
- Unique characteristics: Knowledge

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PROVISIONS FOR GROWTH (1:3-4)

- Power (1:3a)
- Knowledge (1:3b)
- Promises (1:4a)
- Participation in the divine nature (1:4b

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The Call to Growth (1:3-11)

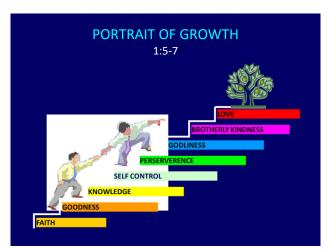
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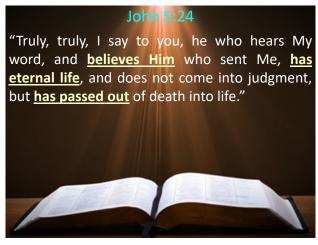
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"There is a normal Christian experience. There are new and blessed emotions and desires. Old things do pass away; and behold all things do become new; but *all such experiences are but secondary evidences*, as to the fact of salvation, in that they grow out of that positive repose of faith which is the primary evidence."

Lewis Sperry Chafer, Salvation: A Clear Doctrinal Analysis (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1977), 60. Italics added

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Three Tenses of Salvation					
Phase	Justification	Sanctification	Glorification		
Tense	Past	Present	Future		
Saved from sin's:	Penalty	Power	Presence		
Scripture	Eph 2:8-9; Titus 3:5	Philip 2:12	Rom 5:10		

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Scripture's Five Crowns (Rev 4:10: 3:11; 2 John 8)					
SCRIPTURE	CROWN	PURPOSE			
1 Cor. 9:24-27	Incorruptible	Gaining mastery over the flesh			
1 Thess. 2:19-20	Rejoicing	Soul winning			
Jas. 1:12; Rev. 2:10	Life	Enduring trials			
1 Pet. 5:2-4	Glory	Shepherding God's people			
2 Tim. 4:8	Righteousness	Longing for His appearing			

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1 Corinthians 9:24-27

"Do you not know that those who run in a race all run, but *only* one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may win. ²⁵ Everyone who competes in the games exercises self-control in all things. They then *do it* to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. ²⁶ Therefore I run in such a way, as not without aim; I box in such a way, as not beating the air; ²⁷ but I discipline my body and make it my slave, so that, after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified."



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PURPOSE STATEMENT V. 12-15



Last Will:

To Remind You of Previously Revealed Truth to Prepare You for Coming False Teachers

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PETER'S AUTHORITY V.16-18 Superior to Gnostics' Esoteric Knowledge Eyewitness to Christ's Transfiguration

2 Peter 1:19-21

"19 So we have the <u>prophetic word made more sure</u>, to which you do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star arises in your hearts. ²⁰ But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, ²¹ for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God."



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2 Timothy 3:16-17

"¹⁶ All <u>Scripture</u> is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; ¹⁷ so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work."

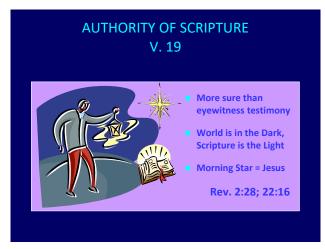


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INSPIRATION OF SCRIPTURE V. 20-21

- Men Wrote as they were inspired by Holy Spirit "phero" = to carry Acts 27:15,17
- Opposite of Knowledge of False Teachers
 - Which is their own imagination
 - Jer. 23:16





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CONCLUSION

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