2 PETER **CLASS 5** – **2 PETER 2:19**

"For by what a man is overcome, by this he is enslaved."

"...the last state has become worse for them than the first."

"This is now, beloved, the second letter I am writing to you in which I am rousing your sincere mind by way of reminder...

WHY DID PETER WRITE THESE LETTERS?

Even <u>sincere</u> minds need reminders so that they don't become dull and stagnant.

"that you should remember the words spoken beforehand by the holy prophets and the commandment of the Lord and Savior spoken by your apostles."

REMEMBER: to bring to mind or think of again (Webster's)

Remembering things is about <u>repetition</u>.

Now I desire to put you in remembrance, though ye know all things once for all... (Jude 1:5)

as often as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me." (1 Cor 11:25)

you may be able after my decease to call these things to remembrance. (2 Pet 1:15) Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture... (1 Tim 4:12)

Of these things put them in remembrance... (2 Tim 2:14)

Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things? (2 Thess 2:5)

MOCKING MOCKERS

According to their own lusts:

- They will live according to them
- They will mock the promise of Christ's return because of them
- They will wish and will to not notice things because of them

HERE IS WHAT THEY WILLFULLY IGNORE:

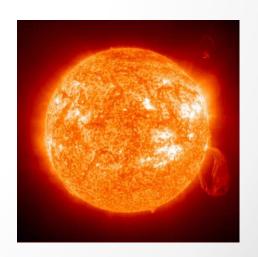
"The earth was formless and void, and darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was moving over the surface of the waters."



"Then the flood came upon the earth for forty days, and the water increased and lifted up the ark, so that it rose above the earth."



We are never more than a **word** from God away from another big change!



"But do not let this one fact escape your notice, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years like one day."

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?!



The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.

WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF EVERYTHING YOU DID AND HAD WOULD BE DESTROYED?

How would you act? (holy conduct)

What would you rely on? (godliness)

What would you prepare for? (looking for)

Would you be excited? (hastening)

NOT EVERYONE IS LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS!

Not Satan
Not The Demons
Not The Wicked

"the demons also believe, and shudder." (Jas 2:19)

The earth and its works will be destroyed...

But according to His promise we are looking for new heavens and a new earth, in which righteousness dwells.

- A new heaven and earth with spiritual bodies, not physical (1 Cor 15:42-50)
 - Bodies likened to the angels (Lk 20:36)
- A dwelling where God dwells (Jhn 14:2-4)
 - God is a spirit (Jhn 4:24)