

FINISHING YOUR FAITH

Lesson Five • 2Peter 1:12-15

Wake Up And Remember

The Need for Reminders:

No matter how long you've known the Lord as your Savior, we need to be REMINDED of the gospel truth so that we keep finishing our faith!

Therefore I will not be negligent to remind you always of these things... 2Peter 1:12

Yes, I think it is right...to stir you up by reminding you. 2Peter 1:13

Moreover I will be careful to ensure that you always have a reminder of these things... 2Peter 1:15

The Need for Reminders of the Gospel Truth:

I. We Need REPEATED Reminders Of The Gospel Truth Because We Forget!

Therefore I will not be negligent to remind you always of these things, though you know them, and are established in the present truth. 2Peter 1:12

The Safeguard Against Spiritual Forgetfulness...

Is not revelation of new truth, but REPETITION of truth we already know.

Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things again is no trouble to me, and it is a safeguard for you. Philippians 3:1 NASB

Gospel Truths to Remember:

- The gospel provides the righteousness of Christ through saving faith in Jesus Christ as our God and Savior. vs. 1:1-2
- God has given us everything we need in the gospel to finish our faith. vs. 3-4
- We must make every effort to grow in our faith by growing in godliness. vs. 5-7
- When we grow in godliness it will show with a fruitful life and assurance of salvation. vs. 8-11

2. We Need URGENT Reminders Of The Gospel Truth Because Life Is Short!

Yes, I think it is right, as long as I am in this tent, to stir you up by reminding you, knowing that shortly I must put off my tent, just as our Lord Jesus Christ showed me. 2Peter 1:13-14

Because Life Is Short...

- Live as a SOJOURNER here on earth.
- Cultivate a biblical view of DEATH.
- Make every effort to GROW with your remaining time.

3. We Need WRITTEN Reminders Of The Gospel Truth Because People Die!

Moreover I will be careful to ensure that you always have a reminder of these things after my decease. 2Peter 1:15

Peter Dies...

But the written Word of God LIVES forever.

Wake Up and Remember!

Finishing your faith requires REMEMBERING the gospel truth you already know.

Another Summer Challenge: "Don't Sleep In; Wake Up and Remember!"

- Repeated reminders: "Wake up" and attend the Discovery Hour @ 9:30am and Worship Service @ 10:45am on Sundays.
- Urgent reminders: "Wake up" and make every effort to grow in the qualities of godliness while there's still time.
- Written reminders: "Wake up" and read God's Word regularly during the week (read 2Peter 5x in 5 weeks).