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Persevere: Living in the Last Days

Lesson Two • 2 Peter 3:8-9 Don't Overlook

Scoffers' Sneering Scorn

Jesus has <u>DELAYED</u> His coming so long that it is foolish or naïve to believe He is coming back.

Knowing this first of all, that scoffers will come in the last days with scoffing, following their own sinful desires. They will say, "Where is the promise of his coming?" 2Peter 3:3-4

Peter's Loving Concern

Beloved, don't <u>OVERLOOK</u> what God is like when it comes to the promise of His coming!

But do not overlook this one fact, beloved... 2Peter 3:8

2. The Lord Is PATIENT Toward Us!

The Lord is not slow to fulfill His promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance. 2Peter 3:9

Three Truths to Keep in Mind

If the Lord has promised something, it will happen in His ordained time, not on our <u>SCHEDULE</u>.

1Peter 3:20

God's seeming delay is not due to indifference or inability, but rather to His <u>COMPASSION</u> for sinners.

2Peter 3:15

The purpose of God's patience is to lead us to <u>REPENTANCE</u>, not to unbelief.

Romans 2:4

3. The Lord Will Keep His <u>PROMISE</u> to Come Again!

But the day of the Lord will come... 2Peter 3:10

What does Christ's coming mean for me today?

- MAKE SURE you know Christ as your Savior and Lord before it's too late.
- \blacktriangleright <u>BE BOLD</u> in sharing the Gospel with those who don't know Christ before it's too late.

Don't Overlook What God Is Like

1. The Lord's <u>PERSPECTIVE</u> On Time Is Different Than Ours!

...that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. 2Peter 3:8

An Analogy, Not An Equation

Peter does not say one day <u>EQUALS</u> a thousand years or a thousand years equals one day, but rather is like a thousand years or one day.

Psalm 90:1-4