

# GROW IN GRACE

2 Peter 3:1-10 | March 12, 2023

**2 Peter 3:1-10** *Dear friends, this is now my second letter to you. I have written both of them as reminders to stimulate you to wholesome thinking. <sup>2</sup>I want you to recall the words spoken in the past by the holy prophets and the command given by our Lord and Savior through your apostles. <sup>3</sup>Above all, you must understand that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires. <sup>4</sup>They will say, "Where is this 'coming' he promised? Ever since our ancestors died, everything goes on as it has since the beginning of creation." <sup>5</sup>But they deliberately forget that long ago by God's word the heavens came into being and the earth was formed out of water and by water. <sup>6</sup>By these waters also the world of that time was deluged and destroyed. <sup>7</sup>By the same word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly. <sup>8</sup>But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. <sup>9</sup>The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance. <sup>10</sup>But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it will be laid bare.*

## 1. You become a builder of your own \_\_\_\_\_.

**1 Peter 2:9,11** *But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light (...)* <sup>11</sup>Dear friends, I urge you, as foreigners and exiles (...)

## 2. You become a builder of your own \_\_\_\_\_.

**Ephesians 2:10** *For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.*

**1 Peter 5:8** *Make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; <sup>6</sup>and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; <sup>7</sup>and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love. <sup>8</sup>For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ."*

## Understood properly,

- The Day of the Lord has a centering effect on our \_\_\_\_\_.
- The Day of the Lord gives you hope in the midst of \_\_\_\_\_.
- The Day of the Lord makes you \_\_\_\_\_.
- The Day of the Lord finally makes you a \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ of God.
- The Day of the Lord makes his mercy a \_\_\_\_\_.

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