## 1 & 2 Peter Bible Study Lesson 20 2 Peter 2:1-10 Questions Our Lord Knows How to Rescue the Godly And to Keep the Unrighteous Under Punishment

Pray for the Lord to guide you through this study time.

This portion of Scripture is tied with next week's lesson. To help connect it all read 2 Peter Chapter 2.

Peter wants to keep on reminding us to be all the more diligent to pursue true knowledge and godly character through the power of the Holy Spirit to enable us to stand firm and discern false doctrine. He emphasizes his own eye witness account to the divinity of Jesus Christ as affirmation to the truth.

1. From verse 1 what warning is Peter giving believers and the church?

2. Is this warning relevant to believers today? What proof did Peter give to confirm this pattern of destruction would take place? Read the following Scriptures: Deuteronomy 13:1-4; Jeremiah 6:12-19, 23:11, 14, 16-17, 34-36

3. What purpose did Peter have in pointing the believers to the false prophets from the Old Testament? Is there any difference between the past and the present?

4. From verse 1, where will these false teachers be? How do they operate? What do they know about Jesus Christ? Also read Jude 1:3-4

5. Peter is equipping believers to discern the truth of the Gospel from heresy. What evidence does Peter tell us to look for? What will be the contrast? Read the following verses for help:

**Teacher of the True Gospel**: 1 Corinthians 6:19-20; 1 Peter 1:13-16, 2:9-12, 3:18, 5:5-6

Teacher of Heresy: 2 Peter 2:1-3, 10; Jude 1:4, 7-8, 16, 19

6. By looking at the life and fruit of these two teachers, write down what you think their doctrine or theology of Christ would sound like?

**Teacher of the True Gospel**:

**Teacher of Heresy:** 

7. Why would it be important to know and understand biblical doctrine and theology from Genesis to Revelation? Read the following Scriptures for help: 2 Timothy 4:1-5; 2 Peter 3:1-4, 16-18

8. From what we have learned from Peter does knowing and understanding biblical doctrine and theology complete our protection to biblical fallacy? Give Scriptures to back up your answer.

9. Its disturbing to even think that false teachers live, breath, and operate within the church body of Christ. Can God use these destructive people for His good purpose? How does God deal with them? Read the following Scriptures for help: Deuteronomy 13:3-4; Jeremiah 17:9-10, 23: 18-20, 23-29; Zachariah 13:1-2, 8-9; Matthew 13:24-30; 1 Peter 1:6-9; 2 Peter 2:1b, 3b, 9; James 1:2-4, 12, 5:10-11; Jude 1:15

10. To affirm God's plan to deal with false teachers, Peter gives three accounts from the Old Testament of God's righteous judgment on depraved and unsaved mankind. Read the account of each circumstance. What was the heart condition of the ones who received God's wrath? What was the heart condition of the ones God rescued and saved? What was God's purpose in pouring out His wrath?

God's angels who sinned: Ezekiel 28:12-19; Isaiah 14:12-15; Luke 10:18; 2 Peter 2:4; Jude 1:6

Noah and the worldwide flood: Genesis 6:5-14, 17-19, 22, 7:1, 4-5 16-22, 8:18-22, 9:11-13; 1 Peter 3:20-21; 2 Peter 2:5

The destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah: Genesis 19:1-29; 2 Peter 2:6-8; Jude 1:7

11. After assuring believers of the righteous judgment to condemn sin and to deter rebellious hearts against their Creator, Peter gives us two promises for us to focus and hold on to. What are they?

12. How will you today put full assurance in who God IS and what He can do for you, rather than carry the weight of this world on your shoulders? Write down Scriptures that can keep your heart and mind on His full assurance of salvation and overcoming this world and life.