

THE SECOND BOOK OF PETER

Peter calls for faithfulness and confronts corrupt teachers who distorted the message about Jesus and lead others astray.

OT/NT: New Testament

SECTION: General Letters

TRADITIONAL AUTHOR: Peter

KEY PEOPLE: Paul, Peter.

SUMMARY: Canonically, the Second Book of Peter is the sixty-first book of the [Holy Bible](#) (1), the third of seven [General Letters](#) (2) and the twenty-second book of the [New Testament](#) (3). Its purpose was to warn against the increasing number of [false teachers](#) (4) attacking the truth of the [Gospel](#) (5) of [Jesus Christ](#) (6) (a).

2 Peter is an intense, passionate farewell speech addressed to the same [Messianic](#) (7) church communities as [1 Peter](#) (8). In the book, Peter challenges Jesus' followers to continue growing in their faith, [love](#) (9) and service to God. He issues two warnings against corrupt teachers who are leading the Christian communities astray with their way of life and distorted theology.

Peter addresses their objections to the reality of Jesus' [Resurrection](#) (10) and the final judgment. He reminds Christians that their hope is in God. In His time on the [Day of the Lord](#) (11), He will expose evil and injustice and remove it to make way for a new Heaven and Earth that's permeated with [righteousness](#) (12), God's love and people who know and love God and their neighbors (b).

COMING UP: Next up is the First Book of John (13). Click [HERE](#) to explore!

FOOTNOTES:

- (1) <http://www.downriverdisciples.com/the-word-of-god>
- (2) <http://www.downriverdisciples.com/general-letters>
- (3) <http://www.downriverdisciples.com/new-testament>
- (4) <http://www.downriverdisciples.com/false-teachers>
- (5) <http://www.downriverdisciples.com/the-four-gospels>
- (6) <http://www.downriverdisciples.com/jesus-christ>
- (7) <http://www.downriverdisciples.com/jesus-the-messiah>
- (8) <http://www.downriverdisciples.com/1-peter>
- (9) <http://www.downriverdisciples.com/advent-love>
- (10) <http://www.downriverdisciples.com/resurrection-of-jesus>
- (11) <http://www.downriverdisciples.com/day-of-the-lord>
- (12) <http://www.downriverdisciples.com/justice>
- (13) <http://www.downriverdisciples.com/1-john>

PAGE SOURCES:

- (a) http://biblehub.com/summary/2_peter/1.htm
- (b) <https://thebibleproject.com/explore/2-peter/>

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