

# Wake Up and Remember!

Part 2 Let's Get Real Series! Messages From 2 Peter

**But you must remain faithful** to the things you have been taught. You know they are true, for you know you can trust those who taught you. You have been taught **the holy Scriptures** from childhood, and they have given you the wisdom to receive the salvation that comes by trusting in Christ Jesus. **All Scripture** is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives.

It straightens us out and teaches us to do what is right. **It is God's way of preparing us in every way,** fully equipped for every good thing God wants us to do.

2 Timothy 3:14-17

## What About This Amazing Book—The BIBLE!

### 1. Men Die, but the Word **Lives!** (12-15)

*I plan to keep on **reminding you** of these things—even though you already know them and are **standing firm in the truth**. Yes, I believe I should keep on reminding you of these things as long as I live. But the Lord Jesus Christ has shown me that my days here on earth are numbered and I am soon to die. So I will work hard to make these things clear to you. **I want you to remember** them long after I am gone.*

2 Peter 1:12-15

#### Peter's Motivation for Writing 2 Peter

>Obedience to Christ's Command!

Luke 22:32

>Reminding us of the Right Things to do!

*keep on reminding you*

>Making Spiritual Things Clear!

*to make these things clear*

### 2. Experiences Fade, but the Word **Remains** (16–18)

**For we were not making up clever stories** when we told you about the power of our Lord Jesus Christ and His coming again. We have seen His majestic splendor with our own eyes. And He received honor and glory from God the Father when God's glorious, majestic voice called down from heaven, "This is My beloved Son; I am fully pleased with Him." We ourselves heard the voice when we were there with Him on the holy mountain.

2 Peter 1:16-18 [see Matthew 17:1ff]

#### **Lessons from the Transfiguration**—It was a Real Event not a "Clever Story"

1. **Who Jesus Is!**—The Christ, the Son of the Living God! (Peter's words)

2. **What Jesus Death Would Do!**—Lead Us out of the Bondage of Sin! (Like Moses)

3. **What Jesus Goal Was!**—To Establish His Glorious Kingdom! (He is coming again!)

### 3. The World Darkens, but the Word **Shines!** (19–21)

Because of that, we have even greater confidence in the **message proclaimed by the prophets**. Pay close attention to what they wrote, for their words are like a light shining in a dark place—until the day Christ appears and His brilliant light shines in your hearts. <sup>20</sup> Above all, you must understand that no prophecy in Scripture ever came from the prophets themselves <sup>21</sup> or because they wanted to prophesy. It was **the Holy Spirit who moved the prophets to speak from God**. 2 Peter 1:19-21

**It is the SURE Word--** we have even greater confidence in the message proclaimed by the prophets.

**It is the SHINING Word--** for their words are like a light shining in a dark place

**It is the SPIRIT-GIVEN Word--** It was the Holy Spirit who moved the prophets to speak from God.

**Conclusion--** “Wake up—and remember!” A sleeping church is the devil’s playground. It is while men slept that the enemy came in and sowed the tares (Matt. 13:24ff). “Be alert!” is the Apostle’s message. “Wake up and remember!”

**TRUTH--**God’s Word is HIS WAY to get us to BE READY for anything!

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2 Timothy 3:17