

# **Prayer Notes:**

## IN the FOYER:

- assistive hearing devices are available (ask an usher)
- other resources

#### On the Calendar:

Apr 17 (Wed) @ 7:30am Men's Bible Study (Friendship Room)

Apr 17 (Wed) @ 7:00pm Prayer & Studying the Kings of Israel and Judah (Absolom)

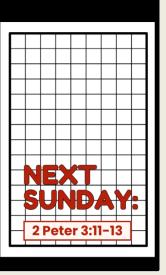
Apr 19 (Fri) @ 7:00pm Fired Up Friday

Apr 21 (Sun) following the service – brief meeting re: t-shirts

May 05 (Sun) – communion, luncheon, benevolent offering

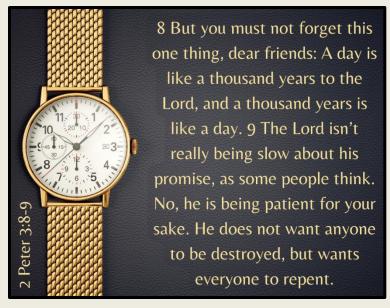
# TODAY'S SERMON:

**2 Peter 3:8-10:**Living with an
Eternal
Perspective



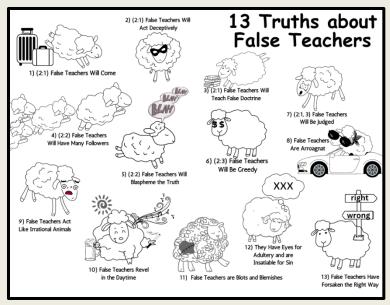








This is now the second letter that I am writing to you, beloved. In both of them I am stirring up your sincere mind by way of reminder, 2 that you should remember the predictions of the holy prophets and the command-ment of the Lord and Savior through your apostles, 3 knowing this first of all, that scoffers will come in the last days with scoffing, following their own sinful desires. 4 They will say, "Where is the promise of his coming? For ever since the fathers fell asleep, all things are continuing as they were from the beginning of creation."



# Dryden First Baptist Church

# **Worship Times and Some of Our Activities:**

Sunday Services are held at 10:30am
Junior Church occurs during the worship hour.
Nursery facilities are available for parents to use.
Sonshine Saturday is 10:30am-12:00 on scheduled months.
Fired Up Fridays is held bi-weekly during the school year.
Wednesday Prayer and Bible Study at 7:00pm
(watch for announcements or check Facebook)

#### **Social Media:**

Facebook - Dryden First Baptist Church Facebook - Sonshine Saturday YouTube - Christian Canuck Website - firstbaptistchurchdryden.com



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#### 2 Peter 3:8-10: Living with an Eternal Perspective

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2 Peter 3:8-10 English Standard Version

<sup>8</sup> But do not overlook this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. <sup>9</sup> 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. <sup>10</sup> But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed.

#### Introduction

- the Lord has always existed and the Lord will always exist

**Revelation 1:8** "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

#### Review

- in 2 Peter 3:8-10, Peter is still addressing the scoffers and false teachers who have been deceiving and misleading the congregation that Peter is writing to
- in 2 Peter 3:1, Peter says that this is the 2<sup>nd</sup> letter he has written to them
- in 2 Peter 3:3, Peter warns these Christians that scoffers will come in the last days
- they will ridicule the Word of God and try and discredit Jesus Christ, but specifically, they will try and discredit the  $2^{nd}$  coming of Jesus Christ
- but these scoffers will also follow their sinful desires
- in 2 Peter 3:4, Peter says that these scoffers will mock the 2<sup>nd</sup> coming of Jesus Christ
- these scoffers also claim that things will continue as they have in the past
- in 2 Peter 3:5-7, Peter addresses these scoffers and their beliefs
- in 2 Peter 3:5, these false teachers are bold and arrogant and thus they deliberately overlook the truths of God's Word
- these scoffers overlook three Biblical events
  - 1. God's creation as described in Genesis 1
  - 2. God's judgment of the flood as described in Genesis 6-9
  - 3. God's final judgment upon the earth
- now Peter deals with the question of why the Lord has not come yet

#### 1) (3:8) The Sovereignty of God

(3:8) But do not overlook this one fact, beloved, - Peter now instructs these Christians in light of the scoffers' scoffing about the delay of the return of Jesus Christ a) "overlook" b) pay attention and understand this c) remember and be reminded that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. d) we are not eternal - Peter is quoting from Psalm 90 which is a Psalm of Moses Psalm 90:4 For a thousand years in your sight are but as yesterday when it is past, or as a watch in the night. - Psalm 90 reminds us that God is eternal Psalm 90:2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

- Psalm 90 also reminds us that we humans are not eternal!

**Psalm 90:5-6** You sweep them away as with a flood; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning: <sup>6</sup> in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers.

- Peter quotes Psalm 90:4 to remind us that the Lord's timing is not like our timing
- the Lord is eternal, all-knowing, all-powerful and all over and thus He is not like us humans
- we are not eternal, not all-knowing, we are weak and we can only be in one place at a time

(3:9) The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you,

**Exodus 34:6** The LORD passed before him and proclaimed, "The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness,

#### not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.

- this reminds me of what the Lord says to Israel in the book of Isaiah

**Isaiah 46:3-4** "Listen to me, O house of Jacob, all the remnant of the house of Israel, who have been borne by me from before your birth, carried from the womb; <sup>4</sup> even to your old age I am he, and to gray hairs I will carry you. I have made, and I will bear; I will carry and will save.

- Peter has already talked about God's grace at the start of the letter
- **2 Peter 1:3-4** His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence, <sup>4</sup> by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire.

#### 3) (3:10) The Judgment of God

(3:10) But the day of the Lord will come like a thief,

- other passages speak about the Lord coming like a thief
- 1 Thessalonians 5:2 For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night.

**Revelation 16:15** ("Behold, I am coming like a thief! Blessed is the one who stays awake, keeping his garments on, that he may not go about naked and be seen exposed!")

and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and

dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed.	
- on the day of the Lord, three things will happen according to 2 Peter 3:10	

- the heavens will pass away 1.
  - a) the heavens above us will be disappear
  - b) because the Lord will make all things new, these old heavens will be no longer
- the heavenly bodies will be burned up 2.
- the earth and the works done will be exposed 3.

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- 1) Praise the Lord, He is Gracious
- a) The Lord is not like us, He is gracious

**Luke 9:54** And when his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to tell fire to come down from heaven and consume them?"

b) Jonah and the graciousness of God

Jonah 4:2 And he prayed to the LORD and said, "O LORD, is not this what I said when I was yet in my country? That is why I made haste to flee to Tarshish; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and relenting from disaster.

- c) Jesus and the graciousness of God
- d) You and the graciousness of God
- 2) God is Eternal, We are Not! Live for the Glory of God!

a) Do you have God's perspective or man's perspective - God is
- God is without beginning and but we are a moment
- in Psalm 90:4, Moses says that a 1000 years is just like yesterday for God
- in Psalm 90:5-6, Moses goes on to say that our lives are like a dream – which does not last long
- but then Moses asks the Lord to do this in his life <b>Psalm 90:12</b> So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom.
- this is very similar to what Paul the apostle teaches the church at Ephesus  Ephesians 5:16-17 making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. <sup>17</sup> Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is.
b) do you make the things of the Lord a priority?
3) Jesus Will Come Like a Thief! Be Ready! a) Be prepared – Are you ready?
<b>Matthew 24:36</b> "But concerning that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father only.
b) How then do we live as we wait?
<b>2 Peter 3:11-13</b> Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness, <sup>12</sup> waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set on fire and dissolved, and the heavenly bodies will melt as they burn! <sup>13</sup> But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.