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Daily Devotions and Small Group Discussion Questions | Week 2

This Week's Memory Verse

..to keep in your pocket, memorize, and hide in your heart:

...that you should remember the predictions of the holy prophets
and the commandment of the Lord and Savior through your apostles...

- 2 Peter 3:2

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Scripture Reading

2 Peter 3:10, 13; Revelation 21:1

Devotional Reading

Our society seems to have a fascination with the destruction of the world. Often stories in books and movies deal with the end of the world. Perhaps just the idea of the world as we know it ceasing to exist causes great wonder and curiosity.

2 Peter 3 hints at two facets about the end of the world: that the day of the Lord will come suddenly and that the world as we know it will cease to be. The coming of the day of the Lord is likened to the coming of a thief. We see this in 2 Peter 3:10 as well as in Matthew 24:43-44. Matthew emphasizes being ready for Jesus' second coming. His point is that the day of the Lord will come suddenly, and we should be ready by living lives of faith as we wait for his return.

In the second part of the verse, we learn about the destruction of the earth. Peter references the earth passing away with a roar, being burned up and dissolved. Yet later in 2 Peter 3:13 and Revelation 21:1, we are told there will be a new heaven and a new earth.

In 2 Peter 3:13, the new heaven and new earth is described as "the home of righteousness." Can you imagine that? A permanent place of glory. Sin, guilt, strife, and discord have no place in the new heaven and new earth. It is hard to even imagine a place with such abundant peace, divine order, and overflowing goodness. As we face challenges, sin and frustrating circumstances today, we are invited to dream of the righteous home that God has in store for us.

Faith In Action

Meet up with or call someone in this coming week to talk share about what you're learning through this sermon series and daily devotions. What questions do you have? Where have you been challenged? The more we talk about the truths of Scripture with one another, the deeper those truths will be embedded in our hearts and minds.

Today's Prayer

Lord Jesus, thank you that a new heaven and a new earth is coming. Help me to be ready for your coming by living a life of faith. I am delighted at the thought of the coming of a new heaven and a new earth. You are such a good God, beyond what I can even imagine.