

2 PETER: A GROWN UP FAITH! DOUG REED // MARCH 24, 2019

2 Peter 3: When Faith Rewards!

We have God's Divine Power to know of and grow in God's Divine Nature! Are we?

2 Peter 1: When Faith Grows!

2 Peter 2: When Faith Withstands!

2 Peter 3: When Faith Rewards!

2 Peter 3:9 NIV'84

"The more we know God; naturally, the more we grow in gratitude of God's eternal grace!"

Pray!

What reward do we eagerly await?

James 1:12 NIV 2 Timothy 4:7-8 NIV

2 Peter 3:1-2 NIV'84: A Reminder to Recall What? Why?

"...reminder to stimulate you to wholesome thinking."

God's Divine Power for God's Divine Nature

2 Peter 3:3-7 NIV'84: Deliberately Forgetful Scoffers Will Come!

Deliberately Forget versus Do Not Forget! What?

Don't Forget Three Things: (1) God is Sovereign Over All. (2) Definite Judgment versus Reward. (3) Desire for all to Repent.

But we're so forgetful!

2 Peter 3:8-13 NIV'84: Don't Forget This! What? Why? 2 Peter 3:9 NIV'84: What's God's Desire for Everyone?

What does this say of our God?

Acts 3:19 NIV

2 Peter 3:11 NIV'84: What Kind of Life Should We Live?

1 Peter 1:14-16 NIV Colossians 3:3-10 NIV'84

2 Peter 3:12-13 NIV'84: The Reward of our New Eternal Home!

2 Peter 3:14-15 NIV'84: Make Every Effort to What? How? God's Divine Power for God's Divine Nature.

Jesus is worthy and holy; we are unworthy and unholy. But, IN Jesus, we are made worthy and holy!

Revelation 7:9-10.13-15 NIV Revelation 19:7-9 NIV

2 Peter 3:17-18 NIV'84: Guard and Grow!

Guard against what? Why?

The Distortion and Error of the Lawless. Resulting in what?

Jude 1:24 NIV

Grow in what?

The Grace and Knowledge of Jesus.

Hebrews 4:16 NIV

"The more we know God; naturally, the more we grow in gratitude of God's eternal grace!"

Ephesians 2:1-9 NIV

What reward do we eagerly await?

God wants to spend eternity with us! Yes, us!

MEMORY VERSE

"The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance." 2 Peter 3:9 NIV'84

REFLECT

Questions to reflect on in your personal quiet time, with the family and/or in your Life Group.

- 1. Share your understanding of what the message was about.
- 2. Share what God said to us through the message.
- 3. How can we apply and integrate this message into our life?
- 4. Read Acts 3:19 and 2 Peter 3:9. How does knowing this truth impact us and our view of God? What is His desire?
- 5. What eternal reward awaits us for our faithfulness? How is this motivating?

UPCOMING EVENTS

GOOD FRIDAY

We invite you to join us Friday, April 19 for a Good Friday event, "On Display" – an interactive, contemplative, art gallery with pieces from some amazing artists in our very own community. Food trucks will also be available for those wanting to support local businesses. Tickets for the art gallery are free and available with multiple time slots to choose from between 5:00 PM and 8:00 PM. For tickets, visit c3ocala. com/goodfriday or stop by the the Connection Desk. Childcare available in Central Kids for infants - 11 years old.

FASTER

Our Savior is Risen! Share the Good News with your family and friends by inviting them to worship with you on Sunday, April 21 at one of our three services: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM or 11:15 AM.

AFTER EASTER FEASTER

Join us after second service on Sunday, April 28 for some family fun and a lot of food. We'll have a hamburger/hot dog lunch, a BBQ Contest, Corn Hole Tournament, water slides, bounce houses, and our pastors in a dunking booth. This fundraiser helps to sponsor students attending summer camp. Lunch Donation (suggested price \$5/person or \$20/family of 4 or more) BBQ Contest: \$5 to sample all and vote once and \$1 per ticket for additional to votes; Dunk Booth \$1/three balls. GRILL MASTERS NEEDED:

Are you great on the grill or with a smoker? Enter the After Easter Feaster BBQ Contest by signing up at the Connection Desk.