

Be Aware

II Peter 3:14-18

1. Intro

1. Review
 1. Scoffers will come wondering when Jesus is coming
 2. Peter tells us to pay attention to God's time
 3. Gives us a glimpse of what is to come
2. He then tells us to be aware of these things, that Jesus' patience is salvation, and to be on our guard against false teachings

2. Be Aware

1. And so (therefore)
 1. Refers back to the preceding verses
 1. Scoffers (3)
 2. His coming (4)
 3. God's timing (5-8)
 4. New heaven and earth (13)
2. Found by Him
 1. At His coming will you be at peace, spotless, and blameless (14b)
 2. For those things to happen requires some effort on our part.

3. Patience is Salvation

1. The Lord's patience allows other to come to salvation (15; xfv. 9)
2. Paul's teachings
 1. At this point Paul's writings must be taken for Holy Scripture
 2. Believers Taken (I Thes 4:13-18)
 1. Trumpets sounding His return (16a)
 2. The dead in Christ will rise first (16b)
 3. Then those who are alive (17)
 3. Day of Lord (I Thes 5:1-7)
 1. The manner of His return
 2. What Peter is talking about in v. 10
 4. Chosen (I Thes 5:8-11)
 1. Our awareness
 5. Twist scripture (16b)
 1. Some took Paul's teaching and twisted it to mean something else (II Thes 2:1-3)

4. Be On Guard

1. I am warning you – false teachers will arise (17)
2. Don't get caught up in the same thing (xf 2:21)
3. But grow
 1. Growth is necessary for steadfastness
 1. Grow in grace
 2. Grow in knowledge

5. Conclusion

1. Be aware of the things that are unfolding around us
 1. We are within scripture
2. As Jesus grants us one more day, use it bring salvation
3. Watch what you are doing