

General Epistles & Revelation (NT6)

**Books of 1 & 2 Peter
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Apr 3 – Intro to NT General Epistles

Apr 10 – Book of Hebrews

Apr 17 – **No Class** (Holy Week)

Apr 24 – Book of James

May 1 – **No Class**

May 8 – **No Class**

May 15 – Books of 1 & 2 Peter

May 22 – Books of 1,2,3 John; Jude

May 29 – Book of Revelation

June 5 – Conclusion; Final Exam



Peter the Apostle



The Book of 1 Peter

- ▶ **Author**: Peter, perhaps assisted by Silvanus
- ▶ **Date**: c. AD 62-3
- ▶ **Theme**: Teaching on various aspects of Christian life and duties.
- ▶ **Purpose**: To encourage and give a divine perspective to those suffering persecution.
- ▶ **Outline**:
 - *Salvation of the Believer (1:1-2:12)
 - *Submission of the Believer (2:13-3:12)
 - *Suffering of the Believer (3:13-5:14)

The Book of 1 Peter – Key Verses

Concerning this salvation, the prophets, who spoke of the grace that was to come to you, searched intently and with the greatest care, ¹¹ trying to find out the time and circumstances to which the Spirit of Christ in them was pointing when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the glories that would follow. ¹² It was revealed to them that they were not serving themselves but you, when they spoke of the things that have now been told you by those who have preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven. Even angels long to look into these things.

1 Peter 1:10-12

Dear friends, do not be surprised at the painful trial you are suffering, as though something strange were happening to you. ¹³ But rejoice that you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed. ⁵

1 Peter 4:12-13

The Book of 1 Peter

- I. Greetings. (1:1-2)
- II. Praise to God for his grace & salvation (1:3-12)
- III. Exhortation to a Holy Life (1:13-5:11)
 - A. The requirement of holiness (1:13-2:2)
 - B. The position of believers (2:4-12)
 - 1. A spiritual house (2:4-8)
 - 2. A chosen people (2:9-10)
 - 3. Foreigners & strangers (2:11-12)
 - C. Submission to authority (2:13-3:7)
 - 1. Submission to rulers (2:13-17)
 - 2. Submission to masters (2:18-20)
 - 3. Christ's example of submission (2:21-25)
 - 4. Submission of wives to husbands (3:1-6)
 - 5. Corresponding duty of husbands (3:7)

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D. Duties of all (3:8-17)

E. Christ's example (3:18-4:6)

F. Conduct in view of end of all things (4:7-11)

G. Conduct of those sufferers for Christ (4:12-19)

H. Conduct of elders (5:1-4)

F. Conduct of the young (5:5-11)

IV. Purpose of the letter (5:12)

V. Final Greetings and benediction (5:13-14)

The Book of 2 Peter

- ▶ **Author: Peter**
- ▶ **Date: c. AD 64-66**
- ▶ **Theme: Warning to guard against false teachers.**
- ▶ **Purpose: To oppose false teachers, and to encourage watchfulness for the return of the Lord.**

- ▶ **Outline:** *Cultivation of Christian Character (1)
*Condemnation of False Teachers (2)
*Confidence of Christ's Return (3)

The Book of 2 Peter – Key Verses

Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation. ²¹ For prophecy never had its origin in the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit. 2 Peter 1:20-21

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.

¹⁰ But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything in it will be laid bare.

¹¹ Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives. 2 Peter 3:9-11

The Book of 2 Peter

- I. Greetings. (1:1-2)
- II. Exhortation to grow in Christian virtue (1:3-11)
 - A. The divine enablement (1:3-4)
 - B. The call for growth (1:5-7)
 - C. The value of such growth (1:8-11)
- III. Purpose & authentication of Peter's message (1:12-21)
 - A. His aim in writing (1:12-15)
 - B. Basis of his authority (1:16-21)
- IV. Warning against false teachers (ch.2)
 - A. Their coming predicted (2:1-3a)
 - B. Their judgment assured (2:3b-9)
 - C. Their characteristics set forth (2:10-22)

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- V. The fact of Christ's return (3:1-16)
 - A. Peter's purpose in writing restated (3:1-2)
 - B. The coming of scoffers (3:3-7)
 - C. The certainty of Christ's return (3:8-10)
 - D. Exhortations based on the fact of Christ's return (3:11-16)
- VI. Conclusion and doxology (3:17-18)