

II Peter 3:18

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Saves, baptisms, church family. now what?

I. Foundation for growth, guidance in X's journey
The Bible Peter speaks in 1:19-21

(a) To the Church "....."

The verses:

Universal creation Job 1:3

Universal death 4:17, 19

Love again 1st J: 23, 25; John 1:19

Left God side to 118:11

wealth to 118:100

live mt. 4:4

die Rev. 3:10

(a) Universal (b) Love, mercy, healing.

(a) Love "Have trust in me" ... "

II. Personal Devotion

& quiet time, pray

(a) To your people: "How you mean for this"
call back out 2nd in gospel

III. A flaw of service in the church

anything - any assignments
if. our time, wasty feet (argument, not a fit)
- teach children, not sit, quiet at dev, make away
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IV. Acceptance, any assignment (stature) in life
so Peter in 1:13-15, referring to John 21

John 21 as addendum - added long after gospel written
21:18 death by crucifixion

: 21 what? Peter?
: 22 : ? name die? 1300 years ago

The providence of life
(a) crippled child, "write conclude, writing"
"you seem so happy. How?"
"of other. That you are. I hope, but"

How accept suffering... ? the much? = X?
(a) equation, "man? begin to do X?"

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A Word To New Christians

Dear Christian:

It is wonderful to look back upon the day when you gave yourself to the Lord Jesus Christ. Putting your life in His Hand actually was the most meaningful decision you ever made—in fact, upon that commitment of your faith rests your eternal destiny.

But you may be sure that the enemy of your soul, the Devil, will seek by every devious means of this evil world to confuse your mind and undermine your faith.

For this reason, it is absolutely essential for you to apply yourself faithfully to the study of the Bible, which is God's sword of the Spirit. It will enable you to stand up against all the attacks of Satan and to live triumphantly for Christ.

In this connection, you should have some time every day alone with God when you commune with each other through the Word and prayer. Read the "Tips on Keeping a Quiet Time" on page 36, and check to see if you are putting them into practice. Also, start now to learn the verses of Scripture listed at the back of this booklet.

Remember to keep up your church attendance, pray for your pastor, and look for opportunities to serve your Master.

It is a great salvation. Just keep your hand in the Hand of God, and let Him lead you all the way.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Your Counselor

"And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the Word of His grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified."

Acts 20:32



Your Most Valuable Possession . . .

- One of the most significant moments in the coronation of the Queen of England came when she

was presented with a Holy Bible, as the Archbishop of Canterbury said: "Our gracious Queen: to keep your Majesty ever mindful of the law and the Gospel of God as the Rule for the whole life and government of Christian Princes, we present you with this Book, the most valuable thing which this world affords."

- Indeed, these words were appropriate for the Queen to hear as she began her reign. The Bible is the only infallible Rule for life. It is the wisdom of God, written "not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Spirit teacheth" (I Corinthians 2:13). Other things will pass away, but the Word of God "liveth and abideth forever" (I Peter 1:23).
- This little booklet is prepared to help you search the Scriptures and "find an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you" (I Peter 3:15). It does not attempt to cover everything, but it does raise some of the most basic questions before a young Christian, and it shows you where to find the answer. The answer is in the Word of God—"the most valuable thing which this world affords."

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