

Questions for Reflection and Discussion
2 Peter 3:14-18
Growing in Grace

Getting Started

If you have a garden, what do you particularly like growing?

Background

Read 2 Peter 3:1-13. Briefly jot down the key ideas.



Digging In

1. **Read 2 Pet 3:14-18.** What is Peter's first exhortation? (v. 14)
2. How does it connect to the preceding verses?
3. How does this exhortation compare with the way Peter opened his letter? (see 1:5-7)
4. How does v. 15 reinforce what Peter wrote in 2:8-9?
5. In vv. 15-16 Peter writes that Paul's letters support what he's been saying. How is Rom 2:4 an example of this?
6. How does v. 16 provide powerful credibility for Paul's letters?
7. In your own words, what is the key command in v. 17?
8. What are some steps we can take to be on our guard against false teaching?
9. Write a paraphrase of Peter's final command. (v. 18) In practical terms, what does it look like to obey this command?
10. Explain Peter's closing words of praise.

Getting Personal

- How has God spoken to you through the book of 2 Peter?
- Would you say that you are *spotless, blameless and at peace* with the Lord? (Read 1 Jn 1:8-10 before you answer.)
- What are some practical steps you can take to obey the command in v. 14?
- What are you doing to guard yourself against false teaching?
- In what ways are you intentional about obeying the command in v. 18?
- What does it look like to live for God's glory?