

2 Peter Series

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How to Have a Stable Life

2 Peter 1:12–15



2nd PETER

Guard Against False Teachers

2 Pet. 1:12, “For this reason I will not be negligent to remind you always of these things, though you know and are established in the present truth.”

2 Pet. 1:12, “For this reason I will not be negligent to remind you always of these things, though you know and are established in the present truth.”

2 Pet. 1:12, “Therefore I will always remind you about these things, even though you know them and are established in the truth you have.” ~HCSB

2 Pet. 1:12, “Therefore, I will always be ready to remind you of these things, even though you already know them, and have been established in the truth which is present with you.” ~NASB95

2 Pet. 1:12, “Therefore, I intend to remind you constantly of these things even though you know them and are well established in the truth that you now have.” ~NET

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from the
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2 Pet. 1:3–11**

**μέλλω *mello* 1 sing
fut act indic
to be about to; to
be on the point of,
be destined to, to
intend, purpose,
have in mind**

**ἀμελέω
ameleo
future active
indicative
1Sto
I have no
care for, to
neglect, be
unconcerned
plus NOT**

**Majority Text: I will not be negligent, or
I will not neglect**

Critical Text: I will always be ready; ~NASB

I intend to remind you ~NET

2 Pet. 1:12, “Therefore, I will not neglect to remind you constantly of these things even though you know them and are well established in the truth that you now have.”

ὑπομιμνήσκω

***hupmimnesko* 7×**

pres act infin

to remind, to

bring to your

remembrance

John 14:26, “But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you [the Eleven disciples] all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.”

2 Tim. 2:14, “Remind them of these things, charging them before the Lord not to strive about words to no profit, to the ruin of the hearers.”

Titus 3:1, “Remind them to be subject to rulers and authorities, to obey, to be ready for every good work,”

Jude 5, “But I want to remind you, though you once knew this, that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed those who did not believe.”

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***hupmimnesko* 7×**

**pres act infin
to remind, to
bring to your
remembrance**

περὶ τούτων

peri touton

**about these things,
e.g., all that has
been said from vs. 3**

2 Pet. 1:12, “Therefore, I will not neglect to remind you constantly about these things even though you know them and are well established in the truth that you now have.”

**καίπερ *kaiper*
subord (conc)
though,
although, even
though**

2 Pet. 1:12, “Therefore, I will not neglect to remind you constantly about these things even though you have known them and have been stabilized in the truth that you now have.”

**καίπερ *kaiper*
subord (conc)
though,
although, even
though**

**οἶδα *oida*
perf act part
masc plur
acc
to know**

2 Pet. 1:12, “Therefore, I will not neglect to remind you constantly about these things even though you have known them and have been made stable in the truth that you now have.”

**καίπερ *kaiper*
subord (conc)
though,
although, even
though**

**οἶδα *oida*
perf act part
masc plur
acc
to know**

**στηρίζω
sterizo perf
pass part
masc plur acc
to support,
make firm,
strengthen,
make stable**

2 Pet. 1:12, “Therefore, I will not neglect to remind you constantly about these things even though you have known them and have been made stable by means of the truth [*en-by means of*] that you now have [or the present truth].”

Answering Pilate's Question

What is Truth?

John 18:37, “Pilate therefore said to Him, ‘Are You a king then?’

Jesus answered, ‘You say rightly that I am a king. For this cause I was born, and for this cause I have come into the world, that I should bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice.’

John 18:38, “Pilate said to Him, ‘What is truth?’ And when he had said this, he went out again to the Jews, and said to them, ‘I find no fault in Him at all.’ ”

1. The Bible presupposes absolute truth. Without truth there can be no real communication, without truth there can be no accurate thinking.

Deut. 32:4, “He is the Rock, His work is perfect; For all His ways are justice, a God of truth and without injustice; Righteous and upright is He.”

Psa. 31:5, “Into Your hand I commit my spirit; You have redeemed me, O LORD God of truth.”

Psa. 40:11, “Do not withhold Your tender mercies from me, O LORD; Let Your lovingkindness and Your truth continually preserve me.”

Psa. 100:5, “For the LORD is good; His mercy is everlasting, and His truth endures to all generations.”

Psa. 119:142, “Your righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, and Your law is truth.”

Psa. 119:151, “You are near, O LORD, and all Your commandments are truth.”

Psa. 119:160, “The entirety of Your word is truth, and every one of Your righteous judgments endures forever.”

Psa. 146:6, “Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; Who keeps truth forever,”

2. The Bible confirms one reality that exists outside of our minds and independent of our subjective desires.

3. Reality is knowable and truth is knowable.

John 8:32, “And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.”

4. But human beings suppress the truth.

Rom. 1:18, “For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness,”

Rom. 1:25, “who exchanged the TRUTH of God for the lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen.”

5. And those who suppress the TRUTH, and think and live on the basis of a false system of thinking, are further described as not obeying the truth, but obeying unrighteousness.

Rom. 2:8, “but to those who are self-seeking and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness—indignation and wrath,”

6. If there is not TRUTH, then how can we even communicate, because language itself is based on the idea that words describe reality and can communicate reality.

7. The Bible claims to be the one overriding TRUTH that gives meaning to all other lower-case truths.

8. Jesus is the embodiment of TRUTH.

John 14:6, “Jesus said to him, ‘I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.’ ”

9. The Holy Spirit communicates TRUTH. He is the Spirit of TRUTH, Who guided the apostles in all TRUTH.

John 16:13, “However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.”

10. Truth of Scripture is how we grow, how we have a basis for Knowledge, and how we are stabilized in the storms of life.

John 17:17, “Set them apart in the truth; Your word is truth.”