

2 Peter - Commentaries by Paul J. Pascoe

CareLines: Volume 3, Stirring up

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2PE 1:9

He that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.

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A blind Christian is one who does not show the characteristics of the divine nature in his life. Such a one shows in his manner of life that he has no appreciation of the forgiveness of his old sins. Because we need to be continually in the appreciation of our salvation, the Apostle Peter writes later in the chapter that as long as he was alive he would stir them up and put them in remembrance of these things. Even after his death he wanted them to be reminded and stirred up. So we have his letters to read today. Meditate upon those letters and be stirred up!

CareLines: Volume 2, Covetousness - Idolatry

2PE 2:14

They have a heart trained in covetous practices.

2 Peter 2:14 N. K. J. V

This verse is talking about unsaved people, but we live in a society that affects us the same way. We are trained - through school and college, and in the work place - to be -covetous. "Go for the top!" is the world's cheer. And in doing so, the Lord is pushed out, He takes a lower place in our life, while position, possessions, and power become the driving force in our life. Beware of covetousness, young Christian. God calls it "idolatry".

CareLines: Volume 2, Hope

2PE 3:9

The Lord is not slack concerning his promise . . . but is long-suffering.

2 Pet. 3:9

The Lord is incredibly patient. That's why He didn't come last year. So as we start 1991 let's be ready for Him. This could be the year when all true Christians (those who are born again) will hear His shout and will be snatched away to be with Him forever. This is the greatest and most exciting hope that a Christian can have. Don't lose it.

CareLines: Volume 3, Long-Suffering

AUGUST 17

The long-suffering of our Lord is salvation.

2 Peter 3:15

Why doesn't the Lord come? Why do things appear to go on without change? Because He is incredibly long-suffering. There will come a time when His patience will run out. But God's patience fuse is much longer than ours. His timetable will not be changed. Is the Lord coming? He sure is! But the longer He waits, the more opportunity for another soul to be saved.

CareLines: Volume 3, His Promise

AUGUST 18

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2 Peter 3:9

Jesus promised that He would come again. The Apostle Paul in his letter to the Thessalonian Christians told them how it would happen. But no one knows when. What keeps faith going is that He promised that He would come again and His promises are always kept. Are you ready for His coming? It WILL come to pass - maybe today.

CareLines: Volume 3, Corrupted

OCTOBER 1

Beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall . . .

2 Peter 3:17

This is a timely warning for us and it means simply this: we get so used to evil and corruption and immorality that our consciences get hardened, and if we're not really careful we will fall into the same practices as the world.

BEWARE!

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