## The Hope that is in You – 2 Peter 1:12-21

## Lesson 9

## **Established in the Truth**

Peter realized that his words of 2 Peter 1:3-11 were reminders of the truth they had already received, but God's promises in the Scriptures are our most valuable assets in this battle we call life. Peter was willing to always hold the churches accountable to the truth of the gospel that had saved them. It was a way to connect them by shining a light again in the darkness of this world we live in. It was all the more important that they take the truth of the Scriptures to heart in view of the threat of false teachers discussed in chapter 2.

chapter 2.		
	Peter 1:12-21	
1.	What was Peter always prepared to do in v 12?	
2.	What do you think he means by "this earthly dwelling" in v 13? What effect was Peter expecting to have by reminding them?	
3.	Did he expect his martyrdom imminently in v 14? What prediction did Jesus make in John 21:18-19?	
4.	Did Peter expect his letter to be a permanent reminder that would survive his death (v 15)?	
5.	How sure was Peter's testimony concerning Jesus Christ (v 16)?	

6.	What great event was Peter referring to that he was an eyewitness to, and what exactly did he see and hear (2 Peter 1:16-18, Matt 17:1-6)?
7.	Based on what Peter, James, and John saw and heard, should Peter's audience place their faith in these eyewitness accounts of men they respected or should they be swayed by the false teachers in their midst of 2 Peter 2:1?
8.	What did Peter compare his prophetic word to in 2 Peter 1:19, Ps 119:105? How long should they pay attention to it?
9.	Prophecy is another word for speaking the Word of God, and the Greek word used simply means that the O.T. writers "spoke forth" the Word of God. According to 2 Peter 2:20-21, did the Scriptures originate in the mind of man? Who were God's mouthpieces?
10	How did men write the Scriptures (2 Peter 1:21)? What did Paul have to say about the origination of the Scriptures, and their practical value to the "man of God" in 2 Timothy 3:16-17?