



**Connection Group Participant Guide**  
**April 4, 2021**

**2 Peter 3**

**Memory Verse**

The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance. – 2 Peter 3:9

**Key Principles**

To be mature in the Christian Faith is to distance oneself from scoffers of sound doctrine and to devote the rest of one's life to Godly living for Jesus as a shining example of the Truth - in word and in deed. Peter's purpose is urging Christians not to waiver in their beliefs, but to continue to live out what they know to be true. The Lord's Day will come, Peter reminds his readers, unexpectedly, like a thief in the night, and with cataclysmic destruction. Peter closes the third chapter of his second epistle by advising his readers to not only be expecting the Day of the Lord to come, but to be ready for it by righteous living until that day.

**Highlight**

What is Peter trying to do by writing 2 Peter? (vv. 1-2)

**Explain**

What will the new heaven and earth be like? Why is a new heaven and earth necessary?

**Apply**

Are you looking forward to Jesus' return? Can you honestly say that you would hope He returns today?

**Respond in Prayer**

- Adoration: Give God praise for the things that you see in this passage.
- Confession: Talk with God about your level of anticipation and of meeting Him face-to-face.
- Thanksgiving: Thank God for His promise of making all things new.
- Supplication: Ask God to help you to live with greater anticipation of these events.