

LESSON 2
WORD PERFECT
2 PETER 1:12–21



1 How much time do you spend reading the following materials each week?

newspapers _____

magazines _____

books _____

the Bible _____

other _____

2 What do you spend the most time reading?

3 If you could own only one book besides the Bible, what would it be? Why?



Read 2 Peter 1:12–21 and the following notes:

☐ 1:13, 14 ☐ 1:16–21 ☐ 1:19 ☐ 1:20, 21

4 Why did Peter write this letter (1:12–15)?

5 What did Peter and the prophets bring to us (1:16–21)?

6 What is unique about Scripture (1:20, 21)?

Peter knew he would die soon. He also knew that his audience—the young church—would need a written record of the basics of the Christian faith. So he wrote his account of God's acts and words to serve as reliable teaching for Christians. Through obedient servants like Peter, God has revealed to us his character and will throughout the Bible. And he has overseen the faithful transmission and translation of his Word through thousands of years. How fortunate we are to have God's timeless truth in our hands. The least we can do is show him gratitude by faithfully spending time in his Word each day.



7 Why did God give us his Word?

8 Why can we have confidence in God's Word?

9 What does the Bible provide for us?



10 Why do people neglect to read the Bible?

11 How can a person acquire a desire to read the Word of God?

12 How can books about the Bible help us learn more from the Bible?

13 What helps you understand and apply the Bible?

14 What can you do to help Bible study flourish in your church?



15 What commitment would you like to make in regard to reading and studying the Bible?

A How is the Word of God like “a light shining in a dark place” (1:19)? What are the dark places that God’s Word has helped you see more clearly? How can you pay attention to this light better?

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B Why did Peter remind his readers of the fundamentals of their faith (1:10–15)? What fundamentals of the faith can you review over the next few days?

C Peter said his writings were not “clever stories” (1:16). How do we know Peter’s message is true? What can you do to build your confidence in God’s Word?