

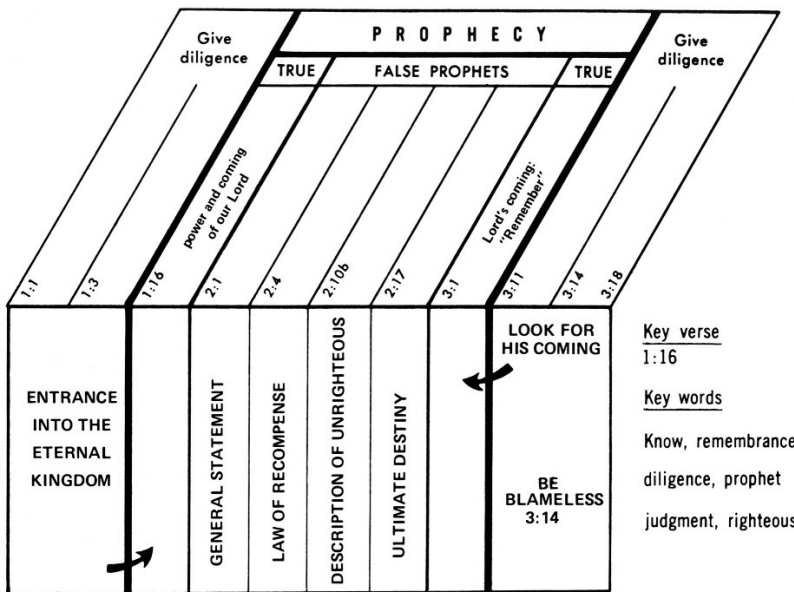
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## 2 Peter: True and False Prophecy

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## OVERVIEWS AND INTRODUCTIONS:

- [2 Peter: In the Face of Falsehood](#) - Ray Stedman - "The Bible without the Spirit leads to a dead, institutional Christianity. The Spirit without the Bible leads to groundless fanaticism. We need both the Spirit and the Word to effectively Adventure through the Bible."
- [2 Peter Introduction](#) - John MacArthur
- [Second Peter](#) - Charles Swindoll
- [2 Peter Introduction and Outline](#) - J Vernon McGee - includes brief verse by verse comments
- [Second Peter: Introduction, Argument, and Outline](#) - Daniel Wallace

- [Overview of 2 Peter including detailed outline and chapter/section summaries](#) - James Van Dine
- [Key to 2 Peter](#) - William Orr
- [Intro to 2 Peter](#) - the NIV Study Bible
- [Myer Pearlman's through the Bible - 2 Peter](#)
- [Synthetic Bible Study - 2 Peter](#) - James Gray
- [2 Peter Introduction](#) - True Knowledge - Wil Pounds
- [2 Peter Introduction](#) - NIV Study Bible

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#### DICTIONARY ARTICLES:

- Baker Theological Evangelical - [2 Peter, Theology of 2 Peter](#)
- American Tract Society [Peter, Epistles of](#)
- Easton's Bible Dictionary [Peter, Second Epistle of](#)
- Fausset Bible Dictionary [Peter, the Epistles of](#)
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- McClintock and Strong's Bible Encyclopedia [Peter, Second Epistle Of](#)
- The Nuttall Encyclopedia [Peter, the Second Epistle of](#)
- Holman Bible Dictionary - [2 Peter](#)
- Bridgeway Bible Dictionary - [Peter, letters of](#)
- 1911 Encyclopedia Britannica [Epistles of Peter](#)
- Kitto Biblical Cyclopedia [Peter epistles of](#)

## ARCHIVE.ORG COMMENTARIES AND STUDY BIBLE THAT CAN BE CHECKED OUT

**Explanation** - The following list includes not only commentaries but other Christian works by well known evangelical writers. Most of the resources below are newer works (written after 1970) which previously were available only for purchase in book form or in a Bible computer program. The resources are made freely available by archive.org but have several caveats - (1) they do not allow copy and paste, (2) they can only be checked out for one hour (but can be checked out immediately when your hour expires giving you time to read or take notes on a lengthy section) and (3) they require creating an account which allows you to check out the books free of charge. To set up an account click [archive.org](https://archive.org) and then click the picture of the person in right upper corner and enter email and a password. That's all you have to do. Then you can read these more modern resources free of charge! I have read or used many of these resources but not all of them so ultimately you will need to be a Berean (Acts 17:11+) as you use them. I have also selected works that are conservative and Biblically sound. If you find one that you think does not meet those criteria please send an email at <https://www.preceptaustin.org/contact>. The resources are listed in alphabetical order by the author's last name and some include reviews of the particular resource.

## COMMENTARIES ON 2 PETER

[Second Peter and Jude : an expositional commentary](#) by Hiebert, D. Edmond - One of my favorite expositors!

Rosscup - He takes conservative positions, even seeing Jude as following Peter's second epistle. He usually has something clarifying on a verse and displays considerable awareness of views and issues. **Preachers and lay readers will find his present work worth the time.**

[Be alert](#) (2 Peter, 2 & 3 John, Jude) by Wiersbe, Warren Or here - [Be alert](#) - His commentaries will always yield good material for preaching and teaching.

Cyril Barber - A timely treatment of 2 Peter, 2 and 3 John, and Jude. Exposes those who are merchandisers

of error, teachers of false doctrine, and deceivers of those whose lack of knowledge of God's Word makes them easy prey to cultists.

[The Bible Exposition Commentary](#) - Ephesians through Revelation - Warren Wiersbe

Rosscup - One of America's most appreciated staunchly evangelical Bible conference teachers gives diligent, refreshing expositions. These are all of his 23 separate, earlier books in the "Be" series on the New Testament. He strikes a particular appeal with lay people as he crystallizes sections, deals with some of the verses, handles certain problems and backgrounds and applies principles. He is premillennial.

[With the Word](#) by Wiersbe, Warren [430 ratings](#) Old and New Testament.

Amazon.com - A fresh approach which not only offers trustworthy exposition, but also provides a book-by-book, chapter-by-chapter tour through the glory of the Bible. This highly readable personal "conversation" with Scripture guides you through each book, helping you reap the rich, life-changing applications on every page. You will be encouraged to develop your own personal Bible reading program and learn the power of meditation on its truth.

[Wiersbe's Expository Outlines on the New Testament](#) by Wiersbe, Warren W

[Cyril Barber](#) - This is a book of exceptional merit. Pastors, missionaries, and Christian workers will profit from its use. Wiersbe introduces each book of the NT, provides an outline, and then furnishes his readers with a chapter-by-chapter discussion of the contents. The homiletic style is a "plus." Recommended.

[Cyril Barber](#) - An Introduction and Commentary. Revised ed. Tyndale New Testament Commentaries. Grand Rapids: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1987. The original edition appeared in 1968 and has served Bible students well for more than two decades. This revision contains the same helpful level of scholarship which made the first edition so valuable. The elucidation of the text is such that all readers will benefit from this insightful work.

[1 & 2 Peter : a self-study guide](#) by Jensen, Irving

[Conquering through conflict : a study of 2 Peter : Bible study guide](#) by Swindoll, Charles

[Books of 1 & 2 Peter : between the rock and a hard place](#) Max Lucado

[Epistles of peter and of jude](#) by Kelly, J. N. D

Rosscup - This is one of the better commentaries for the serious student. Kelly shows good scholarship and insight, and usually is helpful on problems. He has taught at Oxford University. He posits a date of A. D. 64 for I Peter but is not firm on authorship by Peter. He feels that Peter did not author II Peter, but that it was written later (ca. 100–110). But he is excellent in exegesis of the text and grappling with issues and views. On many verses he has a lot to contribute.

[First & Second Peter](#) by Barbieri, Louis - Everyman's Bible Commentary Series

James Rosscup - A 126-pp., brief exposition by a former professor of Bible at Dallas Seminary. Barbieri surveys with some reference to historical setting and awareness of Greek, dealing concisely with certain of the problem passages. The work is geared for devotional reading or a quick summation for lay Bible studies.

Cyril Barber - An excellent volume to place in the hands of laypeople. Barbieri makes available a clear, thematic, biblically sound exposition of the text

[Jude, 2 Peter](#) by Bauckham, Richard (Word Biblical Commentary series)

Rosscup - Some will not think the work evangelical. It has discussion looking at the Greek exegesis in some detail and with competence and showing a high familiarity with literature on the epistles as well as extra-biblical sources he feels pertains. In some cases he offers a spread of possibilities on views and arguments on problems. His bibliography is extensive. He will disturb many readers with his denial of authorship by Peter (he says the church at Rome produced it), and his view that the early readers would not disrespect it for being pseudonymous but take its message to heart as "a faithful mediator of the apostolic message" (pp. 161–62). Bauckham's view of inspiration is hazy, and he leaves students unsure whether he feels that any of the predictions or statements in the two epistles are objectively, actually true. In his thinking II Peter is dependent on Jude. The work is flawed in some of its doctrinal content but impressive in its help on exegesis and highly

regarded in the academic community.

[Opening up 2 Peter](#) by Anderson, Clive,

[1 Peter, 2 Peter, Jude](#) - Life Application Bible Commentary - 1&2 Peter, Jude. Often has nice practical applications.

[2 Peter & Jude](#) by Harvey, Robert W and Philip H Towner - IVP Commentary Series [4 ratings](#)

[The message of 2 Peter & Jude : the promise of His coming](#) by Lucas, R. C from Bible Speaks Today series

[The second epistle general of Peter, and the general epistle of Jude : an introduction and commentary](#) by Green, Michael,

[Cyril Barber](#) - An Introduction and Commentary. Revised ed. Tyndale New Testament Commentaries. Grand Rapids: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1987. The original edition appeared in 1968 and has served Bible students well for more than two decades. This revision contains the same helpful level of scholarship which made the first edition so valuable. The elucidation of the text is such that all readers will benefit from this insightful work.

[2 Peter and Jude : a handbook on the Greek text](#) by Davids, Peter H [8 ratings](#)

Gene L. Green, professor of New Testament, Wheaton College and Graduate School - Davids provides an expert exegetical travel guide for those rediscovering these neglected gems in the canon.

Stanley E. Porter, professor of New Testament, McMaster Divinity College - This astute and useful grammatical handbook goes beyond simply parsing forms and labeling constructions. Davids brings in some of the latest linguistic research—including elements of verbal aspect theory—to help him as he explicates these important epistles.

[I & II Peter and Jude : introduction and commentary](#) by Cranfield, C. E. B

James Rosscup - Cranfield is an outstanding exegete and offers comments of a critical, exegetical nature that are concise but helpful. One could wish so great a master had said more detail, as he does on Romans.

[2 Peter and Jude](#) by Gardner, Paul,

Rosscup - One can be impressed with this, among brief efforts, for some sensible, flowing exposition after convictions that the Apostle Peter wrote 2 Peter and Jude, the half brother of Jesus, wrote the letter of Jude. The work can be frequently clear (2 Pet. 1:20–21), or nebulous (as on the status of those who need to make sure, 2 Pet. 1:9–10, or how or when the angels sinned in 2:4). Overall the commentary is mediocre in covering issues. But stimulating thoughts appear on how Jude, much neglected, is relevant today for preaching (145–46).

[The Communicator's Commentary. James, 1, 2 Peter, Jude](#) by Cedar, Paul A., Now know as Preacher's Commentary - can have some helpful illustrations.

[1 and 2 Peter, Jude](#) by Hillyer, N - New International Biblical Commentary (Here is a review of Hillyer's work on 2 Peter in Understanding the Bible Series - [8 ratings](#))

[The Preacher's outline & sermon Bible : New Testament, King James Version](#) - Helpful notes and cross-references if you are preaching or teaching this small book.

[The theology of the letters of James, Peter, and Jude](#)

## STUDY BIBLES, ETC.

[KJV Bible Commentary Judges](#) - Hindson, Edward E; Kroll, Woodrow Michael. This is not a study Bible per se, but a one volume commentary with over 3000 pages of comments covering the entire OT/NT. **There is no restriction on length of time one can use**, but there is no copy and paste function. These are excellent conservative comments that interpret Scripture from a literal perspective. [User reviews](#) - it generally gets 4/5 stars from users. Recommended.

[The King James Study Bible Second Edition](#) (2013) (Thomas Nelson) contributing editors (only first is listed) include Wayne A. Brindle. **There is no restriction on length of time one can use**, but there is no copy and paste function.

[Zondervan NIV Study Bible](#) - (2011) 2570 pages - Use this one if available as it has more notes than edition below. One hour limit

[NIV Study Bible](#) by Barker, Kenneth L; Burdick, Donald W (1995) 2250 pages. This is the first edition. This resource has been fully revised in 2020. One hour limit

[NKJV Study Bible: New King James Version Study Bible](#) (formerly "The Nelson Study Bible - NKJV") by Radmacher, Earl D; Allen, Ronald Barclay; House, H. Wayne (1997, 2007); [917 ratings](#) Very helpful notes. Conservative. **There is no restriction on length of time one can use**, but there is no copy and paste function.

[Believer's Bible Commentary](#) - OT and NT - MacDonald, William (1995) 2480 pages. Conservative. Literal. Often has very insightful comments. John MacArthur, says "Concise yet comprehensive - the most complete single-volume commentary I have seen." Warren Wiersbe adds "For the student who is serious about seeing Christ in the Word." One hour limit.

Rosscup - This work, originally issued in 1983, is conservative and premillennial, written to help teachers, preachers and people in every walk of life with different views, explanation and application. The 2-column format runs verse by verse for the most part, usually in a helpfully knowledgeable manner, and there are several special sections such as "Prayer" in Acts and "Legalism" in Galatians. The premillennial view is evident on [Acts 1:6, 3:20, Romans 11:26, Galatians 6:16](#), Revelation 20, etc.

[HCSB Study Bible : Holman Christian Standard Bible](#) - General Editor Jeremy Royal Howard (2010) 2360 pages. Conservative. Good notes. Include Holmans excellent maps. One hour limit

[Life Application Study Bible: Old Testament and New Testament](#) New Living Translation. Has some very helpful notes especially with application of texts. [4,445 ratings](#) One hour limit

[The MacArthur study Bible](#) - John MacArthur. Brief but well done notes for conservative, literal perspective. [1,275 ratings](#)

[ESV study Bible](#) - Excellent resource but not always literal in eschatology and the nation of Israel [6,004 ratings](#)

[The David Jeremiah Study Bible](#) - (2013) 2208 pages. [2,272 ratings Logos.com](#) - "Drawing on more than 40 years of study, Dr. David Jeremiah has compiled a legacy resource that will make an eternal impact on generations to come. 8,000 study notes. Hundreds of enriching word studies"50+ Essentials of the Christian Faith" articles."

[Wycliffe Bible Commentary](#) - Charles Pfeiffer - 1560 pages (1962). [214 ratings](#) Less detailed than the KJV Bible Commentary. Conservative. Notes are generally verse by verse but brief.

Rosscup - Conservative and premillennial scholars here have been experts in their fields. The work contains brief introductions and attempts to give a verse-by-verse exposition, though it does skip over some verses. The treatments vary with the authors, but as a whole it is a fine one-volume commentary for pastors and students to use or give to a layman. Outstanding sections include, for example: Whitcomb on Ezra-Nehemiah-Esther; Culver on Daniel; Ladd on Acts; Harrison on Galatians; Johnson on I Corinthians; and Ryrie on the Johannine Epistles.

[The Defender's Study Bible : King James Version](#) by Morris, Henry M. Excellent notes by well known creationist. [45 ratings](#)

[New Bible Commentary](#) - (1994) [See user reviews](#)

[Compact Bible commentary](#) by Radmacher, Earl D; Allen, Ronald Barclay; House, H Wayne, et al - 954 pages. [424 ratings](#) Multiple contributors to the comments which are often verse by verse. The comments are brief but meaty and can really help your study through a given book. A sleeper in my opinion.

[The Experiencing God Study Bible: the Bible for knowing and doing the will of God](#) - Blackaby, Henry (1996) 1968 pages - CHECK THIS ONE! Each chapter begins with several questions under the title "PREPARE TO MEET GOD." Then you will interesting symbols before many of the passages. The chapter ends with a "DID YOU NOTICE?" question. This might make a "dry chapter" jump off the page! Read some of the [48 ratings](#)

[Disciple's study Bible: New international version](#) [54 ratings](#) Not that helpful for verse by verse study. Focuses on application of Christian doctrines. 10,000 annotations; doctrinal summaries, "Life Helps" section relate doctrine to everyday discipleship.

[The Living Insights Study Bible : New International Version](#) - Charles Swindoll. Notes are good but somewhat sparse and not verse by verse.

[The Apologetics Study Bible Understand Why You Believe](#) by Norman Geisler

[NIV archaeological study Bible](#) (2005) 2360 pages [950 ratings](#) (See also [Archaeology and the Bible - OT and NT](#))

[NIV Cultural Backgrounds Study Bible. Bringing to Life the Ancient World of Scripture](#) Keener, Craig and Walton, John. Editors (2017)

[The Holman illustrated study Bible 120 ratings](#) Includes the excellent Holman maps but otherwise of little help in serious study.

[Zondervan King James Version commentary](#) - New Testament

[NIV Celebrate Recovery Study Bible](#)

[Daily Study Bible for Women : New Living Translation](#)

[The Woman's Study Bible : the New King James Version](#)

[The Study Bible for Women : Holman Christian Standard Bible](#)

[Daily Study Bible for Men : New Living Translation](#)

[NIV Topical Study Bible : New International Version](#)

[The Ryrie Study Bible](#) - Charles Ryrie (1978) 2142 pages. Conservative. [216 ratings](#)

[The Hebrew-Greek key study Bible : New American standard study](#) by Strong, James, 1822-1894; Zodhiates, Spiros

[The New Inductive Study Bible : updated New American Standard Bible](#) - Introductions of each book give suggestions how to perform an inductive study on that specific book. Not strictly speaking a "study Bible" with notes but a Bible to help you study inductively. Has wide margins for making notes. This is one that works best in "paper," not digitally.

[With the Word](#) - Devotional Commentary - Warren Wiersbe - [428 ratings](#)

[Evangelical Commentary on the Bible](#) - Judges by Andrew Boling (20 pages); editor Walter Elwell (1989) 1239 pages. [User reviews](#). (See also Boling's [380 page commentary on Judges](#) the Anchor Bible Series)

[Halley's Bible Handbook](#) Henry H. Halley - (2000) 2720 pages (much larger than original edition in 1965 and no time limit on use). ([Halley's Bible handbook : an abbreviated Bible commentary - one hour limit](#) 1965 872 pages)

Rosscup - A much-used older evangelical handbook bringing together a brief commentary on Bible books, some key archaeological findings, historical background, maps, quotes, etc. It is helpful to a lay Bible teacher, Sunday School leader, or pastor looking for quick, pertinent information on a Bible book. This is the 72nd printing somewhat revised. Halley packed in much information. Unger's is better overall, but that is not to say that Halley's will not provide much help on basic information.

[The Shaw Pocket Bible Handbook](#) - Editor - Walter Elwell (1984) 408 pages.

"This hardback is small in size but packed full of content: Brief summaries of every book of the bible, cultural, archaeological and historical info, word definitions, pictures, maps and charts." Worth checking!

[The Lion handbook to the Bible](#) - (1999) 822 pages. This resource is absolutely loaded with very nice color pictures and charts.

[Wiersbe's Expository Outlines on the New Testament](#) by Wiersbe, Warren W

[Cyril Barber](#) - This is a book of exceptional merit. Pastors, missionaries, and Christian workers will profit from its use. Wiersbe introduces each book of the NT, provides an outline, and then furnishes his readers with a chapter-by-chapter discussion of the contents. The homiletic style is a "plus." Recommended.

[Wiersbe's expository outlines on the Old Testament](#) by Wiersbe, Warren W [113 ratings](#)

"Even the most difficult Scriptures come alive as Warren Wiersbe leads you book-by-book through the Old Testament and helps you to see the "big picture" of God's revelation. In this unique volume, you will find: • Introductions and/or outlines for every Old Testament book • Practical expositions of strategic chapters • Special studies on key topics, relating the Old Testament to the New Testament • Easy-to-understand expositions that are practical, preachable, and teachable If you have used Dr. Wiersbe's popular BE series, you know how simple and practical his Bible studies are, with outlines that almost teach themselves. If not, you can now discover a wonderful new resource. This work is a unique commentary on every book of the Old Testament. It contains new material not to be found in the BE series.

[The Bible knowledge background commentary : Matthew-Luke](#) by Evans, Craig A - This resource will give you very interesting insights and is worth checking on individual passages.

[Harper study Bible : the Holy Bible, Revised Standard Version](#)

[The Jewish Study Bible](#) - Only OT - Interesting Jewish perspective.

[The Student Bible : New International Version](#)

[Hebrew-Greek key word study Bible : New international version](#)

[Key word commentary : thoughts on every chapter of the Bible](#) by Water, Mark

[Eerdmans' Family Encyclopedia of the Bible](#) (1978) 344 pages

[Eerdmans' Handbook to the Bible](#) (1983) 688 pages

[Tyndale Handbook of Bible charts & maps](#) by Wilson, Neil

[Bible Handbook and A-Z bible encyclopedia](#)

[International Children's Bible field guide : answering kids' questions from Genesis to Revelation](#) by Richards, Larry

[The illustrated guide to Bible customs & curiosities](#) by Knight, George W. (George William),

[Today's handbook of Bible times & customs](#) by Coleman, William L

[Unger's Commentary on the Old Testament \(Volume 2 - Isaiah - Malachi\)](#) by Unger, Merrill Frederick, 1909- (1981) 972 pages.

[The new Unger's Bible dictionary](#) by Unger, Merrill Frederick, 1909-

[Nelson's illustrated encyclopedia of Bible facts](#) by Packer, J. I. (James Innell); Tenney, Merrill C.

[Survey of the Bible : introductory insights, background studies, book-by- book survey](#) by Unger, Merrill Frederick

[The parallel New Testament and Unger's Bible handbook : produced for Moody monthly](#) by Unger, Merrill (1975) 744 pages [4 ratings](#)

[The Hodder Bible handbook](#) by Unger, Merrill

[Nelson's expository dictionary of the Old Testament](#) by Unger, Merrill

[Kregel Bible handbook : a full-color guide to every book of the Bible](#) by Kerr, William [3 ratings](#)

[The new encyclopedia of Christian quotations](#) by Water, Mark

[New Testament words](#) - William Barclay - very interesting resource - covers about 70 NT Greek words in Barclay's unique style

[Zondervan handbook to the Bible](#)

[Zondervan illustrated Bible backgrounds commentary](#) - Matthew, Mark, Luke - 552 pages. (2002) [See user reviews.](#)

[Zondervan illustrated Bible backgrounds commentary](#) - John

[Zondervan illustrated Bible backgrounds commentary](#) - Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel, Daniel

[Dictionary of Paul and his letters](#) [180 ratings](#) IVP Series

The Dictionary of Paul and His Letters is a one-of-a-kind reference work. Following the format of its highly successful companion volume, the Dictionary of Jesus and the Gospels, this Dictionary is designed to bring students, teachers, ministers and laypeople abreast of the established conclusions and significant recent developments in Pauline scholarship. No other single reference work presents as much information focused exclusively on Pauline theology, literature, background and scholarship. In a field that recently has undergone significant shifts in perspective, the Dictionary of Paul and His Letters offers a summa of Paul and Pauline studies. In-depth articles focus on individual theological themes (such as law, resurrection and Son of God), broad theological topics (such as Christology, eschatology and the death of Christ), methods of interpretation (such as rhetorical criticism and social-scientific approaches), background topics (such as apocalypticism,

Hellenism and Qumran) and various other subjects specifically related to the scholarly study of Pauline theology and literature (such as early catholicism, the center of Paul's theology, and Paul and his interpreters since F. C. Baur). Separate articles are also devoted to each of the Pauline letters to hermeneutics and to preaching Paul today.

[Dictionary of the later New Testament & its developments 71 ratings](#) IVP Series

The third of IVP's critically acclaimed series of dictionaries of the New Testament provides focused study on the often-neglected portions of the New Testament: Acts, Hebrews, the General Epistles, and Revelation. Furthermore, its scope goes beyond the life of the New Testament church to include the work of the apostolic fathers and early Christianity up through the middle of the second century.

[Dictionary of New Testament background 79 ratings](#) IVP Series

In a time when our knowledge of the ancient Mediterranean world has grown by leaps and bounds, this volume sets out for readers the wealth of Jewish and Greco-Roman background that should inform our reading and understanding of the New Testament and early Christianity. The Dictionary of New Testament Background takes full advantage of the flourishing study of the Dead Sea Scrolls and offers individual articles focused on the most important scrolls. In addition, the Dictionary encompasses the fullness of second-temple Jewish writings, whether pseudepigraphic, rabbinic, parables, proverbs, histories or inscriptions. Articles abound on aspects of Jewish life and thought, including family, purity, liturgy and messianism. The full scope of Greco-Roman culture is displayed in articles ranging across language and rhetoric, literacy and book culture, religion and cults, honor and shame, patronage and benefactors, travel and trade, intellectual movements and ideas, and ancient geographical perspectives. No other reference work presents so much in one place for students of the New Testament. Here an entire library of scholarship is made available in summary form.

[Dictionary of deities and demons in the Bible \(DDD\)](#) - 950 pages (1995) Read some of the [65 ratings](#) (4.8/5 Stars). A definitive in depth resource on this subject. Very expensive to purchase.

## WORD STUDY RESOURCES GREEK AND HEBREW

**NOTE** - All of these resources can be borrowed from archive.org. This list also includes resources to help study the Bible.

See also the [list of Word Study Resources](#)

[The Complete Word Study Dictionary: New Testament](#) by Zodhiates, Spiros - This is my "go to" resource for Greek word studies. One of the best lexicons for laymen. Highly Recommended for Greek Word Studies to aid your interpretation of a passage.

[Analytical Lexicon of the Greek New Testament](#) by Friberg, Timothy. Shorter definitions than Zodhiates but does an excellent job in summarizing the various nuances of a specific Greek word. One of my favorites.

[Shorter Lexicon of the Greek New Testament](#) by Gingrich, F. Wilbur. Similar to Friberg but shorter definitions. Gingrich however gives more Scriptures for each nuance, whereas Friberg generally gives only one representative Scripture.

[The New Linguistic and Exegetical Key to the Greek New Testament](#) by Rogers, Cleon - This book is a gold mine of little gems on individual Greek words in any NT passage you are studying. If you have time it is always worth checking out! I use it in my [Greek word studies](#) all the time.

[New Testament Words](#) - William Barclay - [59 ratings](#) very interesting resource - covers about 70 NT Greek words in Barclay's unique style. On page 289 there is a helpful index of English words with the corresponding Greek word, in turn followed by the places Barclay described them in [New Testament Words](#) and in his Daily Study Bible series ([see list of DSB commentaries here](#)). E.g., take the Greek word for "Covetousness" which is pleonexia and is found in [New Testament Words](#) on page 61 and pp 233-235 and is also described in the Daily Study Bible entries for : [Mark 7:14-23](#); [Ro 1:28-32](#); [Eph. 4:17-24](#); [Col. 3:5](#). So you can click the [DSB commentary on Mark 7](#) and scroll down to [Mark 7:14](#) to see Barclay's entry for pleonexia which concludes "Pleonexia ( G4124) is that lust for having which is in the heart of the man who sees happiness in things instead of in God." Interesting!

[Greek-English lexicon of the New Testament : based on semantic domains](#) - Louw Nida. Brief but nice definitions. Not easy to use - you need to know some Greek. Classifies Greek words into 93 "semantic domains" (see list on page XXV) and if you can categorize



the word you are looking for in one of the domains, it can help find the specific word you are interested in.

[Kittel's Theological Dictionary of the New Testament : abridged in one volume](#) (TDNT) - Classic ("Little Kittel") work summarizing the 10 volume set by Kittel. For most of us the abridged definition is "more than enough!"

[A Greek-English lexicon of the New Testament, and other early Christian literature](#); by Bauer, Walter, More detailed definitions but need to know Greek. Zodhiates and Friberg much easier to use.

[Liddell and Scott's Greek-English lexicon, abridged : the little Liddell](#) by Liddell, Henry George. The abridged version. You need to know Greek to use.

[Exegetical dictionary of the New Testament](#) (Volume 1 - A thru E); [Exegetical dictionary of the New Testament](#) (Volume 3- P thru ...) Volume 2 not available. I do not find this adds much to the easier to use resources like Zodhiates and Friberg.

[A pocket lexicon to the Greek New Testament](#) by Souter, Alexander. Brief definitions. Need to know some Greek. Not that helpful.

[Vine's Expository Dictionary of Old Testament and New Testament Words](#) - pdf. The old standby. You can also borrow [Vine's complete expository dictionary of Old and New Testament words](#)

[Theological wordbook of the Old Testament](#) by Harris, R. Laird - [229 ratings](#) (5/5 Stars) One of the best OT lexicons for laymen.

[Here is another link to the TWOT](#) which has **no time limit on use** and **does allow copy and paste**. Can be downloaded as PDF.

[Hebrew honey : a simple and deep word study of the Old Testament](#) by Novak, Alfons, (332 pages) Indexed by English words. No Strong's numbers to help you determine if you are researching the correct Hebrew word. Here is a "work around" - go to page 289 and see if there is an annotation of the Scripture you are studying. E.g., say you want to see if there is anything for "heart" in [Ezek 11:19](#). In the Scripture list find an entry for [Ezek 11:19](#) with the English word "Heart." Now go look up "Heart" (on page 123). It does take some effort, but you might glean an insight not described in other Hebrew lexicons.

[Nelson's Expository Dictionary of the Old Testament](#) by Unger, Merrill. Indexed by English word and then any related Hebrew nouns or verbs. Definitions are solid and geared to the lay person.

[Zondervan NASB exhaustive concordance](#) - 1589 pages

[Pocket dictionary for the study of New Testament Greek](#) by DeMoss, Matthew S. If you want to dig a little deeper into Greek. [66 ratings](#)

[Analytical concordance to the Holy Bible](#) : containing about 311,000 references, subdivided under the Hebrew and Greek original with the literal meaning and pronunciation of each by Young, Robert,

[The Englishman's Greek concordance of the New Testament](#) by Wigram, George

[Synonyms of the New Testament](#) by Trench, Richard Chenevix - or [click here for list of 108 entries](#)

[Girdlestone's Synonyms of the Old Testament](#) - [click](#) for list of 127 entries

[The Holman guide to interpreting the Bible](#) by Dockery, David S

[Foundations for biblical interpretation : a complete library of tools and resources](#)

[Expository Dictionary of Bible Words](#) by Richards, Larry, [33 ratings](#) It does not go into great depth on the Greek or Hebrew words but does have some excellent insights.

[Basic Bible Interpretation : a Practical Guide to Discovering Biblical Truth](#) by Roy Zuck. Recommended.

[How to Study Your Bible](#) by Arthur, Kay ([CLICK HERE](#) for many other resources from Kay Arthur). The basics of inductive Bible study succinctly described. Recommended. This is the original edition not the new edition.

[Living by the Book](#) by Howard G. Hendricks - A classic. An entertaining and informative read that is guaranteed to invigorate your Bible study. Recommended.

[Teaching to Change Lives](#) by Howard Hendricks, Howard [561 ratings](#)

[The Christian Educator's Handbook on Teaching](#) by Kenneth Gangel and Howard Hendricks [21 ratings](#)

[How can I understand the Bible?](#) by DeHaan, Mart (52 page booklet)

[The New How to Study Your Bible Workbook](#) (2010) by Arthur, Kay, - Note that this workbook is the companion to the [New How to Study Your Bible](#) book (not the same as the one linked above).

[Jensen's Survey of Bible \(online\)](#) by Jensen, Irving [140 ratings](#) (NT) [133 ratings](#) (OT) This is a classic and in conjunction with the following three resources should give you an excellent background to the Bible book you are studying. Jensen has some of the best Book charts available and includes "key words." He also gives you some guidelines as to how to begin your inductive study of each book.

[Discover the Bible for Yourself](#) by Arthur, Kay [93 ratings](#) - Proven methods to read, mark, and study God's Word. Introductions to set the stage for each book of the Bible. Maps and charts to add historic and geographic dimension. Word studies for NASB and NIV translations. Definitions and explanations to simplify interpretation. "Things to Think About" for personal application. This resource will inspire and guide anyone interested in creating a personal study of God's Word.

[What the Bible is all about](#) by Mears, Henrietta. This is a classic and is filled with "pearls" from this godly teacher of God's Word.

[Talk thru the bible](#) by Wilkinson, Bruce [The Wilkinson & Boa Bible handbook : the ultimate guide to help you get more out of the Bible](#)

[How to profit from Bible reading](#) by Jensen, Irving [2 ratings](#)

[Simply understanding the Bible](#) by Jensen, Irving [8 ratings](#)

[Enjoy your Bible](#) by Jensen, Irving [5 ratings](#)

[Independent Bible study](#) by Jensen, Irving [14 ratings](#)

[MacArthur Study Bible - Topic "How to Study the Bible"](#) - John MacArthur

[MacArthur's Introductions to all 66 Books](#) - includes a helpful discussion of "Interpretative Challenges"

[Swindoll's introductions to all 66 Books](#) - Answers the following questions - Who wrote the book? Where are we? Why is this book so important? What's the big idea? How do I apply this? He also includes a helpful Book Overview chart (right upper corner of page).

[How to Get the Most from God's Word](#) by John MacArthur [16 ratings](#)

[Journey of the Bible : the remarkable story of how the Bible came from God to you](#) by Jensen, Irving

#### THOMAS ADAMS (1652)

- [An Exposition of 2 Peter](#)

**Spurgeon** - "Full of quaintnesses, holy wit, bright thought, and deep instruction. We like Adams better in commenting than in preaching. His great work is quite by itself, and in its own way remains unrivalled. We know no richer and racier reading."

#### ARCHIBALD ALEXANDER

- [2 Peter 3:18 - Growth in grace—Signs of it—Practical directions how to grow in grace—Hindrances to it](#)
- [2 Peter 3:18 - Growth in Grace](#) - short version
- [2 Peter 3:18 Thoughts on Religious Experience](#)

#### GREGG ALLEN

- [2 Peter 3:10-13 What Manner of Persons Ought We To Be!](#)

#### DON ANDERSON

- [2 Peter - Study Guide with Questions](#)

#### PAUL APPLE

- [2 Peter Commentary](#)

## JACK ARNOLD - Sermons

- [2 Peter 3:1-9 Mockers of the Second Advent](#)
- [2 Peter 3:10-13 Consummation of the World](#)
- [2 Peter 3:14-18 Commands in View of Christs Coming](#)

## KAY ARTHUR

- 2 Peter 3 - [Mockers are Not New](#)

## JONATHAN BAGSTER

- 2 Peter 3:18 Daily Light

## WAYNE BARBER

- 2 Peter 3 - [Willful Ignorance](#)
- 2 Peter 3 - [Be Ready for the Day of the LORD](#)

## WILLIAM BARCLAY

**Comment:** I appreciate Barclay's unique insights on Greek words, but clearly his teaching about a "second chance" is NOT sound doctrine! Be an Acts 17:11 Berean with Barclay. [See discussion of his orthodoxy](#) especially the article "[The Enigmatic William Barclay](#)".

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

## ALBERT BARNES

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

## BRIAN BELL

- [II Peter 3:1-9 1 Day is as a 1000 Years](#)
- [II Peter 3:10-18 What Manner of Persons ought you to Be](#)

## JOHANN BENGEL

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

## JOSEPH BENSON

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

## BIBLE GATEWAY

- [Multiple devotionals related to 2 Peter - variable quality](#)

Here is an excerpt to give you a sense of what you can find in these devotionals from multiple sources -

**HOW TO GROW IN GRACE (2 Peter 3:18) HABIT: FAITHFULNESS** - It is a law of nature that where there is no growth, there is no life. That principle applies as much to our spiritual lives as it does to plants and children. The way we grow in our spiritual formation is to "grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ" (2 Peter 3:18). But what does that mean? If grace is entirely God's gift to us, how can we take the initiative to "grow in grace"?

As the nineteenth-century theologian Archibald Alexander explains, "Just so far as any soul increases in spiritual knowledge, in the same degree it grows in grace."\* To grow in grace requires that we be diligent in the acquisition of spiritual knowledge, both experiential and intellectual, that allows us to grow in

wisdom—knowledge of our spiritual state, knowledge of God's Word and knowledge of Christ. ([Read the full devotional](#)) (See also Archibald Alexander's full essay entitled [2 Peter 3:18 - Growth in grace](#))

#### BIBLE.ORG RESOURCES

- [2 Peter 3](#)

#### BIBLICAL ILLUSTRATOR

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

#### CHARLES BIGG

**James Rosscup** gives Bigg's commentary on 1 Peter high marks (and he also recommends 2Peter but no additional comments): "This is probably the second best older study on 1 Peter from the standpoint of the Greek text. Selwyn is the other. As other ICC works, it deals with details of philology, grammar and possible views on problems." ([Commentaries for Biblical Expositors: An Annotated Bibliography of Selected Works](#))

**John Cereghin** - A most thorough commentary on the Greek text. He defends Petrine authorship (242-247); urges the translation "our God and Savior" (250-252); teaches baptismal regeneration (260ff); holds it probable that Peter "received every one of St. Paul's Epistles within a month or two of its publication (301); maintains that the "faith" was a "body of doctrine" (325).

- [2 Peter 3 - A Critical and Exegetical Commentary](#)

#### JIM BOMKAMP

- [2 Peter 3](#)

#### WILLIAM BURKITT

Charles Spurgeon regarded Burkitt's commentary as a "goodly volume," and recommended "attentive perusal" of it.

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

#### JOHN CALVIN

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

#### CAMBRIDGE GREEK TESTAMENT

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

#### ALAN CARR

- [2 Peter 3:1-9 Will Jesus Really Come Again?](#)
- [2 Peter 3:1-10 One Thing You Can Take To The Bank](#)

#### RICH CATHERS

- [2 Peter 3 Sermon Notes](#)

#### JOHN CEREGHIN - from wayback site

- [55 Page Pdf Commentary](#)

#### ADAM CLARKE

Click critique of his theological persuasion.

**James Rosscup** - This old, conservative Wesleyan Methodist work is good devotionally and aggressive for righteous living. Laypeople can find it still valuable today. It is Arminian in viewpoint and thus helpful, for example, in showing the reader how this approach deals with texts involving the eternal security question. The work contains much background material from many sources on all books of the Bible.

**Spurgeon** - Adam Clarke is the great annotator of our Wesleyan friends; and they have no reason to be ashamed of him, for he takes rank among the chief of expositors. His mind was evidently fascinated by the singularities of learning, and hence his commentary is rather too much of an old curiosity shop, but it is filled with valuable rarities, such as none but a great man could have collected....If you have a copy of Adam Clarke, and exercise discretion in reading it, you will derive immense advantage from it, for frequently by a sort of side-light he brings out the meaning of the text in an astonishingly novel manner. I do not wonder that Adam Clarke still stands, notwithstanding his peculiarities, a prince among commentators. I do not find him so helpful as Gill, but still, from his side of the question, with which I have personally no sympathy, he is an important writer, and deserves to be studied by every reader of the Scriptures. He very judiciously says of Dr. Gill, "He was a very learned and good man, but has often lost sight of his better judgment in spiritualizing the text;" this is the very verdict which we pass upon himself, only altering the last sentence a word or two; "He has often lost sight of his better judgment in following learned singularities;" the monkey, instead of the serpent, tempting Eve, is a notable instance.

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary3](#)

#### STEVEN COLE

- [2 Peter 3:1-7 Mockers and the Coming Judgment](#)
- [2 Peter 3:8-9 Why Doesn't Christ Return?](#)
- [2 Peter 3:10-13 Living in Light of That Day](#)
- [2 Peter 3:14-16 Diligent Perseverance in Light of That Day](#)
- [2 Peter 3:17-18 Guarding, Growing, Glorifying](#)

#### COMPILATION OF COMMENTARIES

**Explanation** - Click link below and retrieve comments from multiple separate commentaries on ONE PAGE on this one verse. Most of these are older commentaries like Matthew Henry, etc. but are generally conservative. To go to the next verse simply click "2 Peter 3:2" in the upper right corner. If you want to go to a specific verse here is the URL - <https://www.studylight.org/commentary/2-peter/3-1.html>. E.g., if you want to go to 2 Peter 3:3, simply change the URL (this is in the address box at top of the page) and you change "3-1" to "1-3" (<https://www.studylight.org/commentary/2-peter/3-3.html>)

#### THOMAS CONSTABLE

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

#### F C COOK

- [Speaker's Commentary on 2 Peter 3](#)

#### W A CRISWELL Sermons on 2 Peter

- [2 Peter 3:1-4 The Time On God's Clock](#)
- [2 Peter 3:1-9 Jesus is Coming Again](#)
- [2 Peter 3:1-18 The End of the World](#)
- [2 Peter 3:4 The Promised Coming](#)
- [2 Peter 3:4 Where is the Promise of His Coming?](#)
- [2 Peter 3:5-13 The World On Fire](#)
- [2 Peter 3:8 The Time On God's Clock](#)
- [2 Peter 3:9 Lest Any Perish](#)
- [2 Peter 3:10-13 When The World Is On Fire](#)
- [2 Peter 3:18 Growing in Grace](#)

## RON DANIEL

- [2 Peter 3:1-10](#)
- [2 Peter 3:11-18](#)

## ROBERT DEFFINBAUGH

- [2 Peter 3:1-13 Scoffers, the Second Coming, and Scripture](#)
- [2 Peter 3:14-16 Peter and Paul](#)
- [2 Peter 3:14-18 Scripture Twisters](#)

**DEVOTIONALS 2 PETER** -Click below for more than 100 devotionals, quotes, illustrations archived by chapter.[Spurgeon's Expositions](#) are also present on this page.

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- [2 Peter 3 Devotionals](#)

## EASY ENGLISH

- [2 Peter Commentary Jesus will Return](#)

## CHARLES R ERDMAN

**John Cereghin** - Brief conservative comments. He defends Petrine authorship (109); holds that “the divine choice and call do not make human effort unnecessary” (117); teaches the premillennial coming of the Lord (127); thinks that the “elements melting” does not mean literal fire but judgment (132)

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

## EXPLORE THE BIBLE

- [2 Peter 3:1-18 The Righteous Patience of God](#)
- [2 Peter 3:3-13,17-18 With Anticipation](#)

## EXPOSITOR'S BIBLE - J Rawson Lumby

**James Rosscup** - Though this work is generally helpful on historical background, it is often not of great assistance on the original text or problem passages. It skips over these many times. It is generally conservative, but not always. The value is greater on some books because the authors have done an excellent work: Kellogg on Leviticus; Blaikie on Joshua and I, II Samuel; Plummer on the pastorals, James and Jude. Some sections are by radical liberals, for example George A. Smith on Isaiah and the Minor Prophets. By and large, the student will do better to use a detailed set like The Expositor's Bible Commentary plus individual best works on the different Bible books or sections of Scripture.

[Following available on this page](#)

- 2 Peter 3:1-4 As Were the Days of Noah
- 2 Peter 3:5-7 Judgment to Come
- 2 Peter 3:8,9 The Lord is Not Slack
- 2 Peter 3:10-13 What Manner of Persons Ought Ye to Be?
- 2 Peter 3:14-18 Be Ye Steadfast, Unmovable

## EXPOSITOR'S GREEK TESTAMENT Commentary on 2 Peter - R H Strachan

**Hiebert** - Greek text. Important for linguistic study of the epistles. Defends Johannine authorship. The viewpoint is essentially conservative.

**Rosscup** - This is a thorough exegesis of the Greek text. It is considered to be one of the standard tools for

exegetical study.

**John Cereghin** - Technical commentary on the Greek text. He denies the authenticity of II Peter (83-105); admits Christ is called God (123); gives background of the Greek words and phrases; holds that the Parousia is both a judgment on the wicked and a triumph for the kingdom (146); admits that Paul's Epistles are classed with the Old Testament as Scripture (147), holds that II Peter borrowed from Jude (225); thinks that the reference to "angels" goes back to Genesis 6 through the Book of Enoch (239ff).

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

#### JOHN FRAME

- [2 Peter 3:18 Grow in Grace and Knowledge \(another sermon\)](#)

#### G FRONMULLER - Lange's Commentary

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

#### A C GAEBELEIN

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

**GENE GETZ** - short videos discussing Biblical principles related to the respective chapter.

- 2 Peter 3:1-9; Looking for Christ's Return: Even though Jesus Christ has not returned for nearly two thousand years, we should not become apathetic in looking for His return. [Video](#)
- 2 Peter 3:10-18; Motivation to Holiness: Since Christ will definitely return at some moment, all believers should stay ready by leading godly lives. [Video](#)

#### JOHN GILL

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

#### BRUCE GOETTSCHKE

- [2 Peter 3:9 A Powerful Reason for Gratitude](#)

**GOSPEL COALITION** - Kent Hughes, A W Tozer, Jerry Bridges, Alistair Begg, Gary Inrig, Ian Murray, Dick Lucas, et al

- [2 Peter Sermons - most Mp3](#)

#### GOTQUESTIONS

- [Book of 2 Peter - Bible Survey](#)
- [Questions about 2 Peter](#)
- [2 Peter 3:8 What is God's relationship to time?](#)
- [2 Peter 3:10 What is the day of the Lord?](#)
- [2 Peter 3:10 What does the Bible say about the end of the world?](#)
- [What does it mean that heaven and earth will pass away?](#)
- [How can I overcome my fear of the end of days?](#)
- [What does the Bible mean when it refers to the end of the age?](#)
- [Does Bible prophecy predict that there will be a World War 3 \(III, three\) before the end times?](#)
- [2 Peter 3:18 What does it mean to grow in grace?](#)
- [2 Peter 3:18 How can I become more like Christ?](#)
- [How can I become more Christ-like?](#)
- [What is the difference between the Rapture and the Second Coming?](#)
- [What is the \(2nd\) Second Coming of Jesus Christ?](#)
- [Is it possible to know when Jesus is coming back?](#)

- [Does the Old Testament truly predict a second advent of the Messiah?](#)
- [Can the return of Christ truly be said to be imminent?](#)
- [Is Jesus coming soon?](#)
- [How are we to live our lives in light of Christ's return?](#)
- [What is the blessed hope?](#)
- [What does the Bible say about uniformitarianism vs. catastrophism?](#)
- [Is creationism scientific?](#)
- [What is the canopy theory?](#)
- [Why did the people in Genesis live such long lives?](#)
- [Was Noah's flood global or local?](#)
- [Had it ever rained before the Flood in Noah's day?](#)
- [What was the purpose of the flood in the time of Noah?](#)
- [Can the flood mentioned in Genesis be proven?](#)
- [Would the discovery of Noah's Ark be important?](#)
- [How long did it take Noah to build the ark? How long was Noah on the ark?](#)

#### **L M GRANT**

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

#### **GREEK TESTAMENT**

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

#### **WILLIAM GUTHRIE -**

- [2 Peter 3:9 Death Bed Conversion](#)

#### **DAVID GUZIK**

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

#### **JAMES HASTINGS**

- [2 Peter 3:18 Growth - equivalent of 20 pages](#)

#### **MATTHEW HENRY**

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

#### **F B HOLE**

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

#### **DAVID HOLWICK**

- [2 Peter 3:1- 9 Would YOU Have Believed It?](#)
- [2 Peter 3:10-18 Like A Thief In the Night](#)
- [2 Peter 3:3-14 Why I Believe in the Second Coming](#)

#### **V. HURLEY**

- [2 Peter 3:9 God's Promises](#)

#### **ILLUSTRATIONS**

- [2 Peter 3 Multiple Illustrations, devotionals, etc](#)



- 2 Peter 3:8 Money, Perspective, Time
- 2 Peter 3:10-13 An Elusive Virtue
- 2 Peter 3:16 Dangerous Distortions
- 2 Peter 3:18 God's Garden
- 2 Peter 3:18 Today in the Word

#### INTO THY WORD STUDY NOTES - Richard J. Krejcir

Informative notes. Emphasizes inductive Bible study.

- [2 Peter 3:1-9 God Promises Christ's Return to us!](#)
- [2 Peter 3:10-13 Christ will Certainty Return Unexpectedly!](#)
- [2 Peter 3:14-18 The Exhortation to Remain In Christ](#)

#### H A IRONSIDE

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

#### JOHN ANGELL JAMES

- [2 Peter 3:18 Growth in Grace](#)

#### JAMIESON, FAUSSET, BROWN

Published 1871 - Probably best older commentary on prophetic passages as it tends to interpret more literally.

**James Rosscup** - This is a helpful old set of 1863 for laypeople and pastors to have because it usually comments at least to some degree on problems. Though terse, it provides something good on almost any passage, phrase by phrase and is to some degree critical in nature. It is evangelical....Especially in its multi-volume form this is one of the old evangelical works that offers fairly solid though brief help on many verses. Spurgeon said, "It contains so great a variety of information that if a man had no other exposition he would find himself at no great loss if he possessed this and used it diligently" (Commenting and Commentaries, p. 3). Things have changed greatly since this assessment! It is primarily of help to pastors and lay people looking for quick, though usually somewhat knowledgeable treatments on verses.

**Spurgeon** - A really standard work. We consult it continually, and with growing interest. Mr. Fausset's portion strikes us as being of the highest order.

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary \(2 Peter 3 Unabridged Version\)](#)

#### S LEWIS JOHNSON

- [2 Peter 3:1-9 Is It God's Will that None Perish?](#)
- [2 Peter 3:10-18 Day of the Lord and Day of God](#)

#### JOHN HENRY JOWETT Devotional Commentary

**John Cereghin** - A practical and devotional exposition. Reprinted from the 1904 edition.

- [2 Peter 3:3, 4, 8, 9 The Leisureliness of God](#)
- [2 Peter 3:10-14 Preparing for the Judgment](#)
- [2 Peter 3:18 Growing in Grace](#)

#### WILLIAM KELLY

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

#### STEVE KRELOFF - Messianic Jewish pastor

- [2 Peter 2 Sermons - Mp3 only but excellent](#) - following sermons are available

- The Return Of Christ (Part 1) - 2 Peter 3:1-4
- Waiting for the Coming of the Lord - 2 Peter 3:1-14
- The Return Of Christ (Part 2) - 2 Peter 3:5-7
- The Return Of Christ (Part 3) - 2 Peter 3:8-10
- God's Purpose in His Patience - 2 Peter 3:8-9
- The Return Of Christ (Part 4) - 2 Peter 3:10-13
- The Return Of Christ (Part 5) - 2 Peter 3:12b
- The Return Of Christ (Part 6) - 2 Peter 3:14-15a
- Spiritual Stability (Part 1) - 2 Peter 3:15b-16
- Spiritual Stability (Part 2) - 2 Peter 3:17-18

## JOHN LILLIE

- [Lectures on Second Peter](#)

## JOHN MACARTHUR

- [2 Peter 3:1-4 The End of the Universe, Part 1](#)
- [2 Peter 3:1-4 The End of the Universe, Part 2](#)
- [2 Peter 3:14-18 The End of the Universe, Part 3](#)
- [2 Peter 3:1-4 The Certainty of the Second Coming Pt 1](#)
- [2 Peter 3:1-9 The Certainty of the Second Coming Pt 2](#)
- [2 Peter 3:10 The Certainty of the Second Coming Pt 3](#)
- [2 Peter 3:11-13 Living in Anticipation of Christ's Return Pt 1](#)
- [2 Peter 3:14-18 Living in Anticipation of Christ's Return Pt 2](#)
- [2 Peter 3 A Thousand Years in God's Perspective](#)
- [2 Peter 3 Does God Always Get What He Wants?](#)

## JOHN MACDUFF

- [2 Peter 3:13 Locality and Character](#)
- [2 Peter 3:18 Treasury Large and Inexhaustible](#)

## ALEXANDER MACLAREN

- [2 Peter 3:14 Be Diligent](#)
- [2 Peter 3:18 Growth](#)

## HENRY MAHAN

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

## JOSEPH B MAYOR

**Rosscup:** Mayor, J. B. The Epistles of Jude and Second Peter: The Greek Text with Introduction, Notes and Comments. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1979. - This is quite a good older work on the Greek exegesis by the man who did an outstanding commentary on James. Mayor is more for serious students who know the Greek and are ready to read more technical detail on verses without being overcome.

**D Edmond Hiebert** - This massive volume contains an unsurpassed accumulation of details concerning these two epistles, setting forth parallels to the language from all Greek literature. The work of a painstaking liberal scholar, the volume is a mine of information for the diligent, discerning student.

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

## J VERNON MCGEE

- [2 Peter Introduction and Outline](#) - includes brief verse by verse comments

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

#### F B MEYER

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

#### HEINRICH MEYER

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

#### J R MILLER

- 2 Peter 3:1 Devotional - I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance. - It is well that our minds shall be often stirred up and kept in remembrance of things we ought not to forget. Jesus recognized this when He gave the Lord's Supper. We cannot conceive how much the Communion has done through the Christian centuries to keep the name of Christ precious in this world of care and sin. Some one visiting the studio of an artist observed some highly colored stones lying on his table. When asked why he had these stones always before him, the artist said it was to keep his eye up to tone. For the same reason we need to keep before us always high ideals of life. Otherwise our minds are apt to drift away from the things that are best. Some one says that the little sentence, "That will do," has done more harm than any other sentence in the English language. Being satisfied with the thing that merely "will do" is fatal to our doing the best. It is well, therefore, to have our pure minds continually stirred up by way of remembrance, "lest we forget."

#### JAMES MOFFATT

John Cereghin - A liberal interpretation. He thinks that II Peter was a forgery written in the second century (173ff); admits the writer called Christ God (177); holds that cleansing comes through baptism (182). The upshot is BE A BEREAN with this commentary!

- [2 Peter - Everyman's NT Commentary - Verse by Verse](#)

#### MOODY BIBLE INSTITUTE

- [2 Peter 3:18 Today in the Word](#) - quote by Tozer

#### HENRY MORRIS - Defender's Study Bible - Excellent, conservative, literal study Bible notes from a leading creationist

Note that the word or phrase (based on the KJV translation) links to the corresponding note on that word or phrase

- [2 Peter 3:1 second epistle pure mindsremembrance](#)
- [2 Peter 3:2 words which were spokencommandment of us](#)
- [2 Peter 3:3 first last days their own lusts](#)
- [2 Peter 3:4 the promise of his comingbeginning of the creation](#)
- [2 Peter 3:5 willingly are ignorant heavens were of old in the water](#)
- [2 Peter 3:6 overflowed perished](#)
- [2 Peter 3:7 which are now](#)
- [2 Peter 3:8 thousand years](#)
- [2 Peter 3:9 slack concerning his promise](#)
- [2 Peter 3:10 day of the Lord heavens shall pass away](#)
- [2 Peter 3:12 hasting unto the coming heavens being on fire elements](#)
- [2 Peter 3:13 his promise dwelleth righteousness](#)
- [2 Peter 3:14 found of him](#)
- [2 Peter 3:15 hath written unto you](#)
- [2 Peter 3:16 wrest other scriptures](#)
- [2 Peter 3:17 wicked](#)
- [2 Peter 3:18 grow in grace](#)

#### NET BIBLE NOTES

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

## ROBERT NEIGHBOUR

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

## JAMES NISBET

- [2 Peter 3 Commentary](#)

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- [2 Peter 3 Don't Despair, Share](#)
- [2 Peter 3:1-13 Are You Ready?](#)
- [2 Peter 3:1-13 Are You Ready? - 2](#)
- [2 Peter 3:1-13 All Aboard](#)
- [2 Peter 3:2-15 Mount St. Helens Syndrome](#)
- [2 Peter 3:3-4 Beyond What We Can See](#)
- [2 Peter 3:4 Fire Mountain](#)
- [2 Peter 3:4 Fun Loving Audience](#)
- [2 Peter 3:7 Rainbows](#)
- [2 Peter 3:8 The Time Machine](#)
- [2 Peter 3:8-15 Waiting on God](#)
- [2 Peter 3:9 In Praise Of Slowness](#)
- [2 Peter 3:9 Sowing Seed With Tears](#)
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- [2 Peter 3:10 Bad News?](#)
- [2 Peter 3:10 - Krakatoa](#)
- [2 Peter 3:10-18 The Blessed Hope](#)
- [2 Peter 3:10-12 Colonel Davenport](#)
- [2 Peter 3:10 Is This a Cause for Fear?](#)
- [2 Peter 3:10-18 The Growth Chart](#)
- [2 Peter 3:11 Loosening Our Grip](#)
- [2 Peter 3:11 Leaning Towers](#)
- [2 Peter 3:11 Prediction of the Future](#)
- [2 Peter 3:11 Day Unknown](#)
- [2 Peter 3:12 Twenty-Seven Percent](#)
- [2 Peter 3:13 Heaven, Not Mars](#)
- [2 Peter 3:13 Chess Master](#)
- [2 Peter 3:13 The Land Of And](#)
- [2 Peter 3:14 The Ermine \(read this one!\)](#)
- [2 Peter 3:14 Are You Ready?](#)
- [2 Peter 3:15 Mount St. Helens Syndrome](#)
- [2 Peter 3:16 Dangerous Distortions](#)
- [2 Peter 3:17 Beware!](#)
- [2 Peter 3:18 Seeds & Soils](#)
- [2 Peter 3:18 Get To Know Jesus](#)
- [2 Peter 3:18 Gradual Growth](#)
- [2 Peter 3:18 Let's Get Growing](#)
- [2 Peter 3:18 Time to Grow Up](#)
- [2 Peter 3:18 The Highest Goal](#)
- [2 Peter 3:18 "Measure Me"](#)
- [2 Peter 3:18 How A Tree Grows](#)
- [2 Peter 3:18 How Tall Are You?](#)
- [2 Peter 3:18 - Keep Reaching For The Top](#)
- [2 Peter 3:18 Rules for Good Health](#)
- [2 Peter 3:18 A Work In Progress](#)

- [2 Peter 3:18 The Challenge Of Confinement](#)

#### JOSEPH PARKER

**Rosscup** - This work, later called Preaching Through the Bible (Baker Book House), is rich in its applications and exhortations, though often not particularly helpful for the reader who is looking for exposition that stays right with the text. Treatment of the texts is sermonic.

- [2 Peter 3:9 The Longsuffering of God](#)

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- Will Everyone Eventually Be Saved? - 2 Peter 3:9

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**John Cereghin** - Caffin, B.C., and S.D.F. Salmond, II Peter and Jude in The Pulpit Commentary, n.d., 107 pages. Homiletical expositions. They defend Petrine authorship and authenticity (ixiii); favor the view that Christ is called God (2); stress universal redemption (43); argue that the phrase "other scriptures" shows Paul's Epistles were ranked with the Old Testament (71).

**James Rosscup** - Many authors contributed to this work that had the aim of giving preachers material on introduction, verse by verse exposition, a section on homiletics, and a section of collected homilies (outlines, etc.) by various preachers, which can stimulate thought. It moves through one small section of Bible verses after another.

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#### NATHANIEL M WILLIAMS

**John Cereghin** - Williams, Nathaniel Marshman, Commentary on the Epistles of Peter, An American Commentary, 1888. Quite full but concisely written; a rewarding exposition by a conservative Baptist scholar.

This commentary goes verse by verse, phrase by phrase. Very nice.

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