

**“What You Should be looking for in Anticipation of Jesus’ Return” 9/20/09  
2 Peter 3:11-18**

**Studies in 2 Peter- “Avoiding the Snare of False Teaching”**

*Best defenses against false teachers are: understanding our salvation, the fruit that it produces, our calling and election, and the source of the Word, understanding the doctrine, doom, depravity, and deception of the False Teachers.*

**POINT 1-** In anticipation of His return, we should be looking to GO

- A. Our going involves us living a life of holy CONDUCT  
(Rom 11:22; 2:4-11; 14:10-12; 2 Cor 5:10-11; 7:1; 1 Pet 2:17; Matt 10:28)
- B. Our going involves us living a life of holy THINKING  
(Matt 12:36; 15:19-20; Heb 4:12-13; 2 Cor 10:4-5; Luke 5:22)
- C. Our going involves us being diligent to be found by Him in PEACE  
(Romans 5:1, 10-11; 8:20-25; John 15:9-10; 14:21-24)

***Going** God expects us to be living a life that reflects our belief in His return!  
**Deeper***

**POINT 2-** In anticipation of His return, we should be looking to KNOW

- A. Our knowing involves us recognizing the Lord’s PATIENCE  
(2 Pet 3:8-10; 2 Tim 2:10; Rom 11:25; John 10:16; 11:52; Acts 15:14-17)
- B. Our knowing involves us confirming that we have the SCRIPTURES  
(Peter was declaring that Paul’s writings were Scripture; 2 Tim 3:15-17)

***Going** God expects us to be evangelizing the lost in expecting His return!  
**Deeper***

**POINT 3-** In anticipation of His return, we should be looking to GROW

- A. Our growing involves being prepared with an attitude of HUMILITY  
(1 Cor 10:12; Isaiah 66:2; Rom 11:20; Rev 2:5; 1 Peter 5:5; Heb 5:12-6:3)

*“But on this one will I look: On him who is poor and of a contrite spirit, And who trembles at My word.” (Isaiah 66:2b)*

- B. Our growing involves grace and KNOWLEDGE  
(Gal 5:22-23; 2 Cor 12:7-10; 1 Peter 2:2; 2 Tim 3:16-17; John 17:17)

***Going** God expects us to be growing in order to be strong in Him!  
**Deeper***

***Homework:** Compare 3:18b with Isaiah 42:8; Hebrews 1:8-9 & Ps 45:6-7; Heb 1:10-12 & Ps 102:25-27; Isa 6:1-10 & John 12:39-41; Jer 23:5-6; What do they say about Jesus?*