

Sunday February 20th 2011
The Second of Peter
Part Eleven
Study Questions

1). 2Pe 3:1 ¶ *Beloved, I now write to you this second epistle (in both of which I stir up your pure minds by way of reminder), 2 that you may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us, the apostles of the Lord and Savior, 3 ¶ knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts,*

- a). Why did Peter write both his epistles?
- b). What did he want them to be mindful of?
- c). What particularly did he want them to know first?
- d). What did the holy prophets and the apostles have to say about this?
- e). Where do we find the companion scripture to this in Jude?
- f). What does Jude have to say?
- g). Why is the Holy Spirit using both these men to draw attention to this?
- h). What according to v3 above and Jude v18 will characterize the ‘scoffers’?
- i). What does the word translated ‘scoffers’ and ‘mockers’ teach us about them?
- j). What question do the scoffers ask that is the very pinnacle of apostasy?

k). Where do we go in scripture to find the OT type for the scoffers of the last days?

l). Why is the experience of Israel so often the source that we draw from?

2). Ex 24:12 ¶ *Then the LORD said to Moses, "Come up to Me on the mountain and be there;*

a). What instruction does God give to Moses?

b). What instruction does Moses give before he goes to the mountain?

3). Ex 32:1 ¶ *Now when the people saw that Moses delayed coming down from the mountain, the people gathered together to Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make us gods that shall go before us; for as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him."*

a). What do the people ask Aaron to do and why do they ask him to do it?

b). What question are they in effect asking?

c). What do you think is the motivation behind their actions?

4). *4 And he received the gold from their hand, and he fashioned it with an engraving tool, and made a molded calf. Then they said, "This is your god, O Israel, that brought you out of the land of Egypt!"*

a). What is significant about Aaron's action and the people's response to it?

b). Do you remember that which God had previously told the people in Exodus 20:3-4? What does this say to you?

5). 6 Then they rose early on the next day, offered burnt offerings, and brought peace offerings; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play.

a). What do the people do 'the next day'?

b). What is significant about the word play and how does this connect with the 'scoffers'/'mockers' of the last days?

6). Ex 32:25 Now when Moses saw that the people were unrestrained (for Aaron had not restrained them, to their shame among their enemies),

a). What is the consequence of the people's actions?

b). What does the word translated 'unrestrained' mean?

c). How is this verse translated in the KJV?

d). Who does the scripture say bears the responsibility for this?

e). What parallel is there here with Christians at Christ's return?

f). Where would we go in scripture to find the first mention principle for nakedness and shame?

g). With respect to what are the concepts of nakedness and shame presented in foundation?

h). Explain how this must also apply to Israel in Exodus 32 and to the experience of Christians at the Judgment Seat.

i). Can you think of a parable that the Lord gives that addresses the very same concepts?

7). *Ex 32:33 And the LORD said to Moses, "Whoever has sinned against Me, I will blot him out of My book.*

a). What is the consequence for the people's actions upon Moses return?

b). Where do we find this same thing in the Book of Revelation?

8). Where is Christ now and how does this form the antitype to the experience of Moses?

a). What did Christ say about His return?

b). What instructions did He leave for those who would remain behind?

c). What has happened though within the 'Church' in the last 2000 years?

d). So what question is prevalent in the apostate Laodicean church of today?

e). What has been the result of this question with respect to Christians?

f). What will happen upon the Lord's return?

