

Remember to Live Expectantly! Message 6

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## **Outline**

we are looking forward to the new heave	ens and new earth He
has promised	2 Peter 3:13 (NLT)

## Expectant living includes... (2 Peter 3:11-18)

 Looking to Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_.
(2 Peter 3:11-14. C/R: Matthew 24:14; Philippians 1:10; Titus 2:11-13; 1 John 3:2-3)  Leading others to \_\_\_\_\_.
(2 Peter 3:15-16. C/R: Acts 20:24; 2 Corinthians 5:10-11,18-20; 1 Peter 3:15-16)

3. Learning our \_\_\_\_\_\_. (2 Peter 3:17-18. C/R: Psalm 86:11; John 17:3;

Colossians 3:10; Jude 20-25)

Answers: 1. return 2. faith 3. Savior

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# Discussion Guide

Use this guide by yourself or with friends to pursue a deeper relationship with Jesus. To connect with others, visit <u>brookwoodchurch.org/adults</u>.

#### **Conversation Starter**

Name one way you hope this week will be better than last week.

#### Begin your study with prayer

Pause for a few minutes to quiet your heart and mind. Then ask God for insight and direction as you study and reflect on this week's lesson.

#### **Bible Study and Group Discussion**

#### Read 2 Peter 3:11-18.

- 1. Peter uses sobering language to describe Jesus' return. What stirs in your heart as you reflect on these things? Does the thought of destruction motivate you or discourage you? Explain.
- 2. What specific ways does Peter instruct us to live while we wait? Give an example of which is the most challenging for you.
- 3. Describe someone you know who lives a holy and godly life. What is it about them that inspires you? In what ways could you follow their example?
- 4. Peter instructs us to look forward to Jesus' return. How often do you experience this eager expectation? Why is it important to look forward?
- 5. Think of someone you know who is far away from God. How would your conversations with that person be different if Jesus' coming crossed your mind more often? What are practical ways you can lead them to faith?
- 6. We live in a day of growing hostility and ungodliness, much like the time Peter wrote this letter. How have recent events and changing values of the world shaped the person you're becoming?

- 7. Peter instructs us to live *peaceful lives that are pure and blameless* (vs 14). What pulls you away from this kind of living?
- 8. Peter warns us to *be on guard* so we don't lose our *secure footing* (vs. 17). Describe a time you stood firm in your faith.
- 9. Share some of the ways you organize your day to grow in the grace and knowledge of God.
- 10. This letter is written to each of us individually, but also for us as a community. In what ways are you growing in the grace and knowledge of God with others?

## **Spiritual Practice**

A spiritual practice is training for the soul. By building these into your everyday life, you're sure to strengthen your relationship with God.

One way to grow in the grace and knowledge of God is to focus on who He is and what He's done. Read Ephesians 1:3-14. Make a list of how God is described and another list of what He's done. Allow this time of reflection to deepen your relationship with God.

#### **Memory Verse**

And so, dear friends, while you are waiting for these things to happen, make every effort to be found living peaceful lives that are pure and blameless in His sight.

#### 2 Peter 3:14 (NLT)

## **Daily Reading**

Day 1: Matthew 24:14	Day 4: Acts 20:24
Day 2: 1 John 3:2-3	Day 5: Psalm 86:11
Day 3: 2 Corinthians 5:18-20	

#### **Prepare for Next Sunday**

On Sunday, June 12, BrookwoodKiDs will lead an *Adventure Week* style worship experience. Children rising into grades 1-8 will join their families for worship in the Auditorium. To prepare, read **Psalm 119:37 and Colossians 3:1-10.** 

