

1 and 2 Peter

Lesson 9 — Student Guide

Prepare for class: Read 1 and 2 Peter. Focus on 2 Peter 1:12-21.

Lesson Goal

The goal of this lesson is to answer the following question: **How should we be looking forward to the second coming of Christ?**

Think

Evaluate

1. Who are the characters in this story?
2. What are the objects in this story?
3. Where did this story happen?
4. When did this story happen?
5. What is the problem?
6. What events occurred in this story?
7. Is the problem solved?

Learn

8. What is the main theme of this lesson?
9. What sin does this lesson teach us to confess?
10. Where do you see the love of God in this lesson?
11. What does God teach us to do in this lesson?

Lead

12. What would be a good situation in which to share this message?

Discussion

13. When and where were Peter's two epistles written?

14. What are the main themes of the first and second epistles?

15. Early Christians thought that Jesus would return very soon, but today we are still waiting. What does Peter say to those who mocked then and those who still mock today by saying, "Where is the coming he promised?" (2 Peter 3:4).

16. To those who were indifferent to their election, Peter tells them to "be all the more eager to make your calling and election sure" (2 Peter 1:10). What does that mean?

17. On the last day, the old earth and the old sky will be destroyed with fire: "But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything in it will be laid bare. But in keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness" (2 Peter 3:10,13). What will the new heaven and the new earth look like?

Lesson wrap-up

How should we be looking forward to the second coming of Christ?