

SERMON OUTLINE

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God Wants Us to Know

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I. Valuing God's Communication to Us

A. God Wants Grace & Peace for Us

1. 2 Peter 1:1-4 - Look at what God offers us
2. Why did God create us?
 - a. Some have said: Bored, Sadistic, Cruel
 - b. Matthew 23:37-38 - God loves us
 - (1) 2 Peter 1:11 - eternal kingdom abundantly supplied
 - (2) 2 Peter 3:9 - wishing for ALL to be saved
 - (3) 2 Peter 1:9 - Purification from sins

B. God Has Revealed Himself to Us

1. 2 Peter 1:2,3,8 - The knowledge of God
 - a. NOT merely knowing He exists - Romans 1:20
 - b. BUT - knowing Him - attributes - Hebrews 1:1-4
2. Two different God's? Old and New Testaments?
 - a. Fire & Brimstone vs. Love and Forgiveness???
 - b. Same God - Psalm 37:23-26
 - c. Same love - [in Christ] - Ephesians 1:4 - chose in Him
3. Eye Witnesses Wrote About Him: 2 Peter 1:16-18, 20-21

C. I Am the Focus of His Revelation

1. 2 Peter 1:4 - to us, to YOU
 - a. 2 Peter 1:10 - calling and choosing YOU
 - b. 2 Peter 1:13 - stir you up by reminder
 - c. 2 Peter 1:15 - call these things to mind
2. No other writing of this time period with more evidence that what they wrote is what we have today.
3. The Reason: God wants YOU to know Him - 2 Tim 3:16-17

D. So, Am I Listening?

1. 2 Peter 1:5-8 - does my life show a connection with God?
2. 2 Peter 1:19 - Pay attention
3. 2 Peter 1:9 - Do we forget God's grace?
4. Ecclesiastes 5:1 - Draw near to LISTEN
 - a. The Bible is here because God LOVES you!!!