



5 NT books given primarily to false doctrine

2Peter, Jude, 1, 2, & 3John Major problem today

2PETER

>Author - Apostle Peter

On authorship -

"It has been the most controverted book of the NT"

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AUTHORSHIP

>Evidence Against

DENIAL

- 1. Internal evidence author tries too hard to make
 himself appear to be Peter
- 2. External evidence meager not supported until 4th century less than for any other NT book

AUTHORSHIP

- **Evidence Against**
- >Internal Evidence

INTERNAL

- 1. Named 1:1
- 2. Eyewitness of transfig. 1:16-18
- 3. 2nd letter 3:1
- 4. Paul an associate 3:15-16
- 5. Common unique words 3:11
- 6. Connection with Gospels 1:17-18
- 7. Connection with Speeches 1:3
- 8. Similarities with 1Peter 1:2

AUTHORSHIP

- **Evidence Against**
- >Internal Evidence
- >External Evidence

EXTERNAL

- 1. Origen a possibility by Peter
- 2. 4th Century Jerome, Athanasius, Augustine, Ambrose
- 3. Church council at Laodicea (372) & Carthage (397)

2PETER

- >Author Apostle Peter
- >Audience Christians
- > Occasion 64

ACTS HISTORY

T Pentecost
Conversion of Paul
Cornelius

James Martyred

1st Journey
2nd Journey
3rd Journey

50

Rome

60

Acts

Peter Martyred

Paul Martyred
Jerusalem Destroyed

70

Hebrews

40

James

2PETER

- >Author Apostle Peter
- > Audience Christians
- > Occasion 64
- > Location Babylon
- Purpose Obedience & Warning

PURPOSE

To warn (3:17) and to encourage resistance by growth in grace and knowledge (3:18, 1:12)

CHARACTERISTICS

1. Reminders - 1:12-13, 15, 3:1-2

2. Knowledge

KNOWLEDGE

- 1. ειδον 1:12, 14, 2:9
- 2. γινωσκω 1:20, 3:3
- 3. γνωσις 1:5-6, 3:18
- 4. γνωριζω 1:16
- 5. προγινωσκω 3:17
- 6. επιγινωσκω 2:21 (2)
- 7. επιγνωσις 1:2-3, 8, 2:20

CHARACTERISTICS

- 1. Reminders 1:12-13, 15, 3:1-2
- 2. Knowledge
- 3. Apostasy emphasis 1:16, all 2Pet 2, 3:3
- 4. Godliness emphasis 1:3, 6-7, 2:9, 3:11

I.	Cultivation of Christian Character	1
II.	Caution Against False Teachers	2
III.	Certainty of Christ's Return	3

I. Cultivation of Christian Character1A. Gracious Introduction 1:1-2

1:1-2 Simon Peter, a bond-servant and apostle of Jesus Christ, To those who have received a faith of the same kind as ours, by the righteousness of our God and Savior, Jesus Christ: 2 Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord;

- I. Cultivation of Christian Character 1
 - A. Gracious Introduction 1:1-2
 - B. Gift of Divine Life 1:3-4

1:3-4 seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence. 4 For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, so that by them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust.

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 - C. Growth of Christian Character 1:5-11

1:5-7 Now for this very reason also, applying all diligence, in your faith supply moral excellence, and in your moral excellence, knowledge, 6 and in your knowledge, selfcontrol, and in your self-control, perseverance, and in your perseverance, godliness, 7 and in your godliness, brotherly kindness, and in your brotherly kindness, love.

1:8-9 For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they render you neither useless nor unfruitful in the true knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 For he who lacks these qualities is blind or short-sighted, having forgotten his purification from his former sins.

1:10-11 Therefore, brethren, be all the more diligent to make certain about His calling and choosing you; for as long as you practice these things, you will never stumble; 11 for in this way the entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will be abundantly supplied to you.

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 - A. Gracious Introduction 1:1-2
 - B. Gift of Divine Life 1:3-4
 - C. Growth of Christian Character 1:5-11
 - D. Ground of Christian Character 1:12-21

1:12 Therefore, I will always be ready to remind you of these things, even though you already know them, and have been established in the truth which is present with you.

1:16 For we did not follow cleverly devised tales when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of His majesty.

1:20-21 But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, 21 for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

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II.	Caution Against False Teachers	2
A. Their Danger		2:1

2:1 But false prophets also arose among the people, just as there will also be false teachers among you, who will secretly introduce destructive heresies, even denying the Master who bought them, bringing swift destruction upon themselves

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ŀ	3. Their Deeds	2:2-3

2:2-3 Many will follow their sensuality, and because of them the way of the truth will be maligned; 3 and in their greed they will exploit you with false words; their judgment from long ago is not idle, and their destruction is not asleep.

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2:4 For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but cast them into hell and committed them to pits of darkness, reserved for judgment;

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D. Their Description	2:10-17

2:10 and especially those who indulge the flesh in its corrupt desires and despise authority. Daring, self-willed, they do not tremble when they revile angelic majesties,

2:17 These are springs without water and mists driven by a storm, for whom the black darkness has been reserved.

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Ι). Their Description	2:10-1	7
	L. Their Dupes (victims)	2:18-2	2

2:18-19 For speaking out arrogant words of vanity they entice by fleshly desires, by sensuality, those who barely escape from the ones who live in error, 19 promising them freedom while they themselves are slaves of corruption; for by what a man is overcome, by this he is enslaved.

2:20 For if, after they have escaped the defilements of the world by the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled in them and are overcome, the last state has become worse for them than the first.

2:21 For it would be better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than having known it, to turn away from the holy commandment handed on to them.

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A	A. Attitude of Scoffers	3:1-7

3:1-2 This is now, beloved, the second letter I am writing to you in which I am stirring up your sincere mind by way of reminder, 2 that you should remember the words spoken beforehand by the holy prophets and the commandment of the Lord and Savior spoken by your apostles.

3:3-4 Know this first of all, that in the last days mockers will come with their mocking, following after their own lusts, 4 and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming? For ever since the fathers fell asleep, all continues just as it was from the beginning of creation."

3:5-6 For when they maintain this, it escapes their notice that by the word of God the heavens existed long ago and the earth was formed out of water and by water, 6 through which the world at that time was destroyed, being flooded with water.

3:7 But by His word the present heavens and earth are being reserved for fire, kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men.

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Ţ	R. Attitude of God	3:8-10

3:8-9 But do not let this one fact escape your notice, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years like one day. 9 The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.

3:10 But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, in which the heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, and the earth and its works will be burned up.

2Pet 3:3-13

≻Creation -

very good

"earth formed out of water"

>Fall -

cursed

"world at that time"

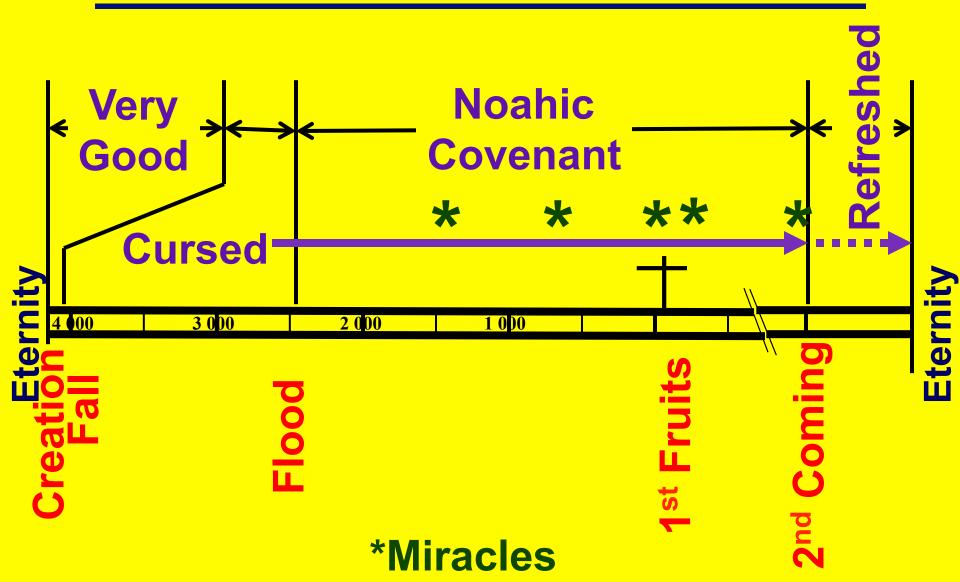
>Flood -

Noahic covenant

"present heavens & earth"

➤ New Heaven & Earth - glorious after "judgment & destruction"

RADICAL CHANGES



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A. Attitude of Scoffers	3:1-7
B. Attitude of God	3:8-10
C. Attitude of Believers	3:11-18

3:14 Therefore, beloved, since you look for these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, spotless and blameless,

3:17-18 You therefore, beloved, knowing this beforehand, be on your guard so that you are not carried away by the error of unprincipled men and fall from your own steadfastness, 18 but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory, both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.

