

LESSON 11
THE INSTRUMENT OF SPIRITUAL MATURITY
2 PETER 1:12-21

I. The Need for Reminders (1:12-15)

A. The Purpose (1:12)

1. His determination

- Peter was determined to _____ them of the truth of God's Word.

2. Their current status

- He did this in spite of the fact that they were already _____.

B. The Duration (1:13-14)

1. His present mindset (1:13)

- As long as he was alive, he would _____.

2. His future outlook (1:14)

- Peter knew that his time was short as _____.

Scripture John 21:18-19

C. The Continuation (1:15)

- He made every effort to make sure that when he dies, they would _____.

II. The Testimony Concerning Christ (1:16-18)

A. The nature of the testimony (1:16)

1. Not a myth

- He tells them that they were not following _____.

2. The Truth

- They were presented with the _____ of the Lord Jesus Christ.

3. From eyewitnesses

- Peter states that they were eyewitnesses of _____.

B. The testimony (1:17-18)

1. The transfiguration (1:17)

- Peter refers to the _____ of Jesus Christ.

Scripture Mark 9:2-8

2. His personal witness (1:18)

- Peter saw the majesty of who Christ is and heard the _____.

III. The Testimony of God's Word (1:19-21)

A. The validity of God's Word (1:19)

1. Confirmed

- Peter states that we have _____ that has been confirmed.

2. The exhortation

- We must be obedient to the Word as our _____.

B. The source of God's Word (1:20-21)

1. Not of private interpretations (1:20)

- We must recognize that scripture is not the result of _____.

2. Not by the will of man (1:21a)

- We must recognize that scripture is not the result of _____.

3. By the Holy Spirit (1:21b)

- Scripture were written by men of God who were moved by _____.