

What the Bible mean to you?

GUARD *'take care not [to be] carried away with the error of lawless people' (3:17)*

GROW *'grow in the grace and **knowledge** of our Lord and Savior Jesus.'* (3:18)

'knowledge' of Jesus in the Scriptures.

'the prophetic word...you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your heart' (1 Peter 1:20-21).

2 Peter 1:16-18 Pay Attention!

The Bible is Historically Trustworthy

'We did not follow cleverly devised myths.'

James, John, Peter were eyewitnesses.

The Bible is **Dated - Located – Public**

'not done in a corner' (Acts 26:26).

2 Peter 1:20-21 Pay Attention!

The Bible Has Authority

'no prophecy came by prophet's own interpretation but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.'

Jesus promised the **Holy Spirit** 'will guide you into all the truth.' (John 16:12,14)

Bible writers were compelled ('driven' Acts 27:15) to write. *'Christ recognizes in Scripture nothing less than the infallible record of the revelation of His heavenly Father; He decides according to its statutes and directs His steps where it points.'*

2 Peter 1:19 Pay attention.

The Bible Explains Reality

**'we have the prophetic word...
a lamp shining in a dark place.'**

God's Word is like 'a lamp'. Darkness is a moral metaphor. ***'People loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil.'*** (John 3:19-20) When Judas betrayed

Jesus at **night!** (Jn 13:30) Jesus was arrested ***'when darkness reigns.'*** (Luke 22:53)

Darkness is ***'a stronghold where Satan establishes to exalt himself against the knowledge and plans of God. A stronghold repels light and exports darkness.'***

Jesus is ***'the bright Morning Star'*** (Rev 22: 16).

Are you a Morning person?

The degree to which you look forward to Jesus' return will be is reflected in the way you read and obey the Bible.