

INSIGHTS ON 2 PETER: CONQUERING THROUGH CONFLICT

BE SURE OF YOUR SOURCE

2 PETER 1:12–21



The Heart of the Matter

How important is a sure word from God! Without it, we struggle to find our way, we rely on shaky and sometimes spurious sources, and we never know if we are really on the right path. It is easy in such confusion to listen to human opinion and miss the clear leading of the Lord. In the closing section of 2 Peter 1, we are reminded of the only reliable source of truth: the Bible. We need this reminder, since so many these days claim to receive divine revelations from various sources—horoscopes, crystals, cards, dreams and visions, inner voices, signs and symbols, and feelings. No wonder so many have a hard time recognizing God's leading! Peter's counsel takes us back to the most dependable source of truth in existence today.



Discovering the Way

1. Popular Sources of "Divine Revelation"

Many people rely on natural and supposed supernatural sources to determine God's direction.

2. A Personal Reminder of "The Truth" (2 Peter 1:12–18)

Truth is God's revelation in Scripture, not cleverly devised stories from human minds.

3. A General Statement Regarding "Scripture" (2 Peter 1:19–21)

Peter reminded his readers that God's Word is sure, authoritative, and inspired.



Starting Your Journey

When seeking a word from God, remember that God's Word is the most reliable source on earth. And when we make other sources equal to or more reliable than Scripture, we will fall into error.

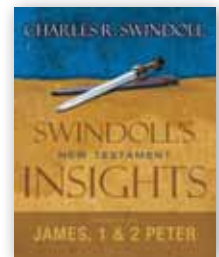


Tools for Digging Deeper



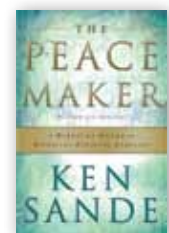
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