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2 Peter

What is the book of 2 Peter?

- The book of 2 Peter is a letter from Peter.
- It's thought that Peter wrote this letter from Rome. It's thought that he wrote it around year AD 67.
- The New Testament includes two letters from Peter. This is the second letter.

Who was 2 Peter written to?

- It isn't known exactly who 2 Peter was written to. It was to believers.
- These may have been the same believers Peter wrote to in 1 Peter. They were in the Roman territories now known as Turkey.
- Followers of Jesus recognise that 2 Peter shares the truth about Jesus. It's for all people everywhere.

Why was 2 Peter written?

- To oppose people who were teaching false things about Jesus.
- To encourage believers to live in ways that please God.
- To help believers to be ready for Jesus' return.

Main ideas

- God's grace makes believers able to live holy lives even when they are opposed.
- Believers must keep growing in the faith and mustn't believe false teaching.
- Jesus will return.
- God is patient because he wants people to turn away from sin.

Outline

Greetings (1:1-2).

The need to live a holy life (1:3-11).

Remembering what faith is based on (1:12-21).

Refusing to believe false teachers (2).

The last days and the day of the Lord (3:1-16).

Final greetings (3:17-18).