Epistula Petri II - Chapter 1

- Simon Petrus servus et apostolus lesu Christi his qui coaequalem nobis sortiti sunt fidem in iustitia Dei nostri et salvatoris Iesu Christi
- 2 gratia vobis et pax adimpleatur in cognitione Domini nostri
- **3** quomodo omnia nobis divinae virtutis suae quae ad vitam et pietatem donata est per cognitionem eius qui vocavit nos propria gloria et virtute
- 4 per quae maxima et pretiosa nobis promissa donavit ut per haec efficiamini divinae consortes naturae fugientes eius quae in mundo est concupiscentiae corruptionem
- **5** vos autem curam omnem subinferentes ministrate in fide vestra virtutem in virtute autem scientiam
- 6 in scientia autem abstinentiam in abstinentia autem patientiam in patientia autem pietatem
- 7 in pietate autem amorem fraternitatis in amore autem fraternitatis caritatem
- **8** haec enim vobis cum adsint et superent non vacuos nec sine fructu vos constituent in Domini nostri Iesu Christi cognitione
- **9** cui enim non praesto sunt haec caecus est et manu temptans oblivionem accipiens purgationis veterum suorum delictorum
- 10 quapropter fratres magis satagite ut per bona 10 Wherefore, brethren, labour the more, that by opera certam vestram vocationem et electionem good works you may make sure your calling and faciatis haec enim facientes non peccabitis aliquando
- 11 sic enim abundanter ministrabitur vobis introitus in aeternum regnum Domini nostri et salvatoris Iesu Christi
- **12** propter quod incipiam vos semper commonere de his et quidem scientes et confirmatos in praesenti veritate
- 13 iustum autem arbitror quamdiu sum in hoc tabernaculo suscitare vos in commonitione
- **14** certus quod velox est depositio tabernaculi mei secundum quod et Dominus noster Iesus Christus significavit mihi
- **15** dabo autem operam et frequenter habere vos post obitum meum ut horum memoriam faciatis
- 16 non enim doctas fabulas secuti notam fecimus vobis Domini nostri Iesu Christi virtutem made known to you the power and presence of et praesentiam sed speculatores facti illius magnitudinis
- **17** accipiens enim a Deo Patre honorem et gloriam voce delapsa ad eum huiuscemodi a magnifica gloria hic est Filius meus dilectus in quo mihi conplacui

- 1 Simon Peter, servant and apostle of Jesus Christ: to them that have obtained equal faith with us in the justice of our God and Saviour Jesus Christ.
- **2** Grace to you and peace be accomplished in the knowledge of God and of Christ Jesus our Lord.
- 3 As all things of his divine power which appertain to life and godliness are given us through the knowledge of him who hath called us by his own proper glory and virtue.
- 4 By whom he hath given us most great and precious promises: that by these you may be made partakers of the divine nature: flying the corruption of that concupiscence which is in the world.
- 5 And you, employing all care, minister in your faith, virtue: And in virtue, knowledge:
- 6 And in knowledge, abstinence: and in abstinence, patience: and in patience, godliness:
- 7 And in godliness, love of brotherhood: and in love of brotherhood, charity.
- 8 For if these things be with you and abound, they will make you to be neither empty nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- 9 For he that hath not these things with him is blind and groping, having forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.
- election. For doing these things, you shall not sin at any time.
- 11 For so an entrance shall be ministered to you abundantly into the ever-lasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
- 12 For which cause, I will begin to put you always in remembrance of these things: though indeed you know them and are confirmed in the present
- 13 But I think it meet, as long as I am in this tabernacle, to stir you up by putting you in remembrance.
- 14 Being assured that the laying away of this my tabernacle is at hand, according as our Lord Jesus Christ also hath signified to me.
- 15 And I will endeavour that you frequently have after my decease whereby you may keep a memory of these things.
- 16 For we have not by following artificial fables our Lord Jesus Christ: but we were eyewitnesses of his greatness.
- 17 For he received from God the Father honour and glory, this voice coming down to him from the excellent glory: This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Hear ye him.

- **18** et hanc vocem nos audivimus de caelo adlatam cum essemus cum ipso in monte sancto
- 19 et habemus firmiorem propheticum sermonem cui bene facitis adtendentes quasi lucernae lucenti in caliginoso loco donec dies inlucescat et lucifer oriatur in cordibus vestris
- **20** hoc primum intellegentes quod omnis prophetia scripturae propria interpretatione non fit
- **21** non enim voluntate humana adlata est aliquando prophetia sed Spiritu Sancto inspirati locuti sunt sancti Dei homines

- **18** And this voice, we heard brought from heaven, when we were with him in the holy mount
- **19** And we have the more firm prophetical word: whereunto you do well to attend, as to a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn and the day star arise in your hearts.
- **20** Understanding this first: That no prophecy of scripture is made by private interpretation.
- 21 For prophecy came not by the will of man at any time: but the holy men of God spoke, inspired by the Holy Ghost.

Epistula Petri II - Chapter 2

- 1 Fuerunt vero et pseudoprophetae in populo sicut et in vobis erunt magistri mendaces qui introducent sectas perditionis et eum qui emit eos Dominum negant superducentes sibi celerem perditionem
- **2** et multi sequentur eorum luxurias per quos via veritatis blasphemabitur
- **3** et in avaritia fictis verbis de vobis negotiabuntur quibus iudicium iam olim non cessat et perditio eorum non dormitat
- **4** si enim Deus angelis peccantibus non pepercit sed rudentibus inferni detractos in tartarum tradidit in iudicium cruciatos reservari
- **5** et originali mundo non pepercit sed octavum Noe iustitiae praeconem custodivit diluvium mundo impiorum inducens
- **6** et civitates Sodomorum et Gomorraeorum in cinerem redigens eversione damnavit exemplum eorum qui impie acturi sunt ponens
- **7** et iustum Loth oppressum a nefandorum iniuria conversatione eruit
- **8** aspectu enim et auditu iustus erat habitans apud eos qui diem de die animam iustam iniquis operibus cruciabant
- **9** novit Dominus pios de temptatione eripere iniquos vero in diem iudicii cruciandos reservare
- 10 magis autem eos qui post carnem in concupiscentia inmunditiae ambulant dominationemque contemnunt audaces sibi placentes sectas non metuunt blasphemantes
- **11** ubi angeli fortitudine et virtute cum sint maiores non portant adversum se execrabile iudicium
- **12** hii vero velut inrationabilia pecora naturaliter in captionem et in perniciem in his quae ignorant blasphemantes in corruptione sua et peribunt
- 13 percipientes mercedem iniustitiae

- 1 But there were also false prophets among the people, even as there shall be among you lying teachers who shall bring in sects of perdition and deny the Lord who bought them: bringing upon themselves swift destruction.
- 2 And many shall follow their riotousness, through whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of.
- **3** And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you. Whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not: and their perdition slumbereth not.
- 4 For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but delivered them, drawn down by infernal ropes to the lower hell, unto torments, to be reserved unto judgment:
- **5** And spared not the original world, but preserved Noe, the eighth person, the preacher of justice, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly.
- 6 And reducing the cities of the Sodomites and of the Gomorrhites into ashes, condemned them to be overthrown, making them an example to those that should after act wickedly,
- **7** And delivered just Lot, oppressed by the injustice and lewd conversation of the wicked:
- 8 For in sight and hearing he was just, dwelling among them who from day to day vexed the just soul with unjust works.
- 9 The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly from temptation, but to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be tormented:
- **10** And especially them who walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness and despise government: audacious, self willed, they fear not to bring in sects, blaspheming.
- 11 Whereas angels, who are greater in strength and power, bring not against themselves a railing judgment.
- 12 But these men, as irrational beasts, naturally tending to the snare and to destruction, blaspheming those things which they know not, shall perish in their corruption:
- 13 Receiving the reward of their injustice,

voluptatem existimantes diei delicias coinquinationes et maculae deliciis affluentes in stains and spots, sporting themselves to excess, conviviis suis luxuriantes vobiscum

- **14** oculos habentes plenos adulterio et incessabiles delicti pellicentes animas instabiles ceaseth not: alluring unstable souls: having their cor exercitatum avaritiae habentes maledictionis filii
- **15** derelinguentes rectam viam erraverunt secuti viam Balaam ex Bosor qui mercedem iniquitatis amavit
- **16** correptionem vero habuit suae vesaniae subiugale mutum in hominis voce loquens prohibuit prophetae insipientiam
- **17** hii sunt fontes sine aqua et nebulae turbinibus exagitatae quibus caligo tenebrarum reservatur
- 18 superba enim vanitatis loquentes pellicent in desideriis carnis luxuriae eos qui paululum effugiunt qui in errore conversantur
- 19 libertatem illis promittentes cum ipsi servi sint corruptionis a quo enim quis superatus est huius et servus est
- 20 si enim refugientes coinquinationes mundi in cognitione Domini nostri et salvatoris Iesu Christi his rursus inpliciti superantur facta sunt eis posteriora deteriora prioribus
- **21** melius enim erat illis non cognoscere viam iustitiae quam post agnitionem retrorsum converti ab eo quod illis traditum est sancto mandato
- **22** contigit enim eis illud veri proverbii canis reversus ad suum vomitum et sus lota in volutabro luti

counting for a pleasure the delights of a day: rioting in their feasts with you:

- 14 Having eyes full of adultery and of sin that heart exercised with covetousness: children of malediction.
- 15 Leaving the right way, they have gone astray, having followed the way of Balaam of Bosor who loved the wages of iniquity,
- 16 But had a check of his madness, the dumb beast used to the yoke, which, speaking with man's voice, forbade the folly of the prophet.
- 17 These are fountains without water and clouds tossed with whirlwinds, to whom the mist of darkness is reserved.
- 18 For, speaking proud words of vanity, they allure by the desires of fleshly riotousness those who for a little while escape, such as converse in еггог:
- 19 Promising them liberty, whereas they themselves are the slaves of corruption. For by whom a man is overcome, of the same also he is the slave.
- 20 For if, flying from the pollutions of the world, through the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they be again entangled in them and overcome: their latter state is become unto them worse than the former.
- 21 For it had been better for them not to have known the way of justice than, after they have known it, to turn back from that holy commandment which was delivered to them.
- 22 For, that of the true proverb has happened to them: The dog is returned to his vomit; and: The sow that was washed to her wallowing in the

Epistula Petri II - Chapter 3

- 1 Hanc ecce vobis carissimi secundam scribo epistulam in quibus excito vestram in commonitione sinceram mentem
- **2** ut memores sitis eorum quae praedixi verborum a sanctis prophetis et apostolorum vestrorum praeceptorum Domini et salvatoris
- **3** hoc primum scientes quod venient in novissimis diebus in deceptione inlusores iuxta proprias concupiscentias ambulantes
- 4 dicentes ubi est promissio aut adventus eius ex quo enim patres dormierunt omnia sic perseverant ab initio creaturae
- **5** latet enim eos hoc volentes quod caeli erant prius et terra de aqua et per aquam consistens Dei verbo
- **6** per quae ille tunc mundus aqua inundatus periit

- 1 Behold this second epistle I write to you, my dearly beloved, in which, I stir up by way of admonition your sincere mind:
- 2 That you may be mindful of those words which I told you before from the holy prophet and of your apostles, of the precepts of the Lord and Saviour.
- 3 Knowing this first: That in the last days there shall come deceitful scoffers, walking after their own lusts,
- 4 Saying: Where is his promise or his coming? For since the time that the fathers slept, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation.
- 5 For this they are wilfully ignorant of: That the heavens were before, and the earth out of water and through water, consisting by the word of
- 6 Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished.

- 7 caeli autem qui nunc sunt et terra eodem verbo repositi sunt igni servati in diem iudicii et perditionis impiorum hominum
- 8 unum vero hoc non lateat vos carissimi quia unus dies apud Dominum sicut mille anni et mille beloved, that one day with the Lord is as a anni sicut dies unus
- **9** non tardat Dominus promissi sed patienter agit propter vos nolens aliquos perire sed omnes ad paenitentiam reverti
- 10 adveniet autem dies Domini ut fur in qua caeli magno impetu transient elementa vero calore solventur
- **11** cum haec igitur omnia dissolvenda sint quales oportet esse vos in sanctis conversationibus et pietatibus
- **12** expectantes et properantes in adventum Dei diei per quam caeli ardentes solventur et elementa ignis ardore tabescent
- 13 novos vero caelos et novam terram et promissa ipsius expectamus in quibus iustitia habitat
- **14** propter quod carissimi haec expectantes satis agite inmaculati et inviolati ei inveniri in pace
- 15 et Domini nostri longanimitatem salutem arbitramini sicut et carissimus frater noster Paulus secundum datam sibi sapientiam scripsit vobis
- 16 sicut et in omnibus epistulis loquens in eis de his in guibus sunt guaedam difficilia intellectu quae indocti et instabiles depravant sicut et ceteras scripturas ad suam ipsorum perditionem
- 17 vos igitur fratres praescientes custodite ne insipientium errore transducti excidatis a propria firmitate
- **18** crescite vero in gratia et in cognitione Domini nostri et salvatoris Iesu Christi ipsi gloria Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory et nunc et in die aeternitatis amen.

- 7 But the heavens and the earth which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of the ungodly men.
- 8 But of this one thing be not ignorant, my thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.
- 9 The Lord delayeth not his promise, as some imagine, but dealeth patiently for your sake, not willing that any should perish, but that all should return to penance,
- 10 But the day of the Lord shall come as a thief, in which the heavens shall pass away with great violence and the elements shall be melted with heat and the earth and the works which are in it shall be burnt up.
- 11 Seeing then that all these things are to be dissolved, what manner of people ought you to be in holy conversation and godliness?
- 12 Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of the Lord, by which the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with the burning heat?
- 13 But we look for new heavens and a new earth according to his promises, in which justice dwelleth.
- 14 Wherefore, dearly beloved, waiting for these things, be diligent that you may be found before him unspotted and blameless in peace.
- 15 And account the longsuffering of our Lord, salvation: as also our most dear brother Paul, according to the wisdom given him, hath written
- 16 As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are certain things hard to be understood, which the unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other scriptures, to their own destruction.
- 17 You therefore, brethren, knowing these things before, take heed, lest being led aside by the error of the unwise, you fall from your own steadfastness.
- 18 But grow in grace and in the knowledge of our both now and unto the day of eternity, Amen.