Interesting Facts About 2 Peter

AUTHOR: Peter
TIME WRITTEN: Shortly before A.D. 64
POSITION IN THE BIBLE:
- 61st Book in the Bible
- 22nd Book in the New Testament
- 17th of 21 Epistle Books (Romans - Jude)
- 5 Books to follow it.

CHAPTERS: 3
VERSES: 61
WORDS: 1,559

OBSERVATIONS ABOUT 2 PETER:

Peter:
- Was one of the original 12 apostles.
- Was one of the inner circle of the apostles (Peter, James, & John.)
- Denied Christ three times on the night of the betrayal.
- He was given the “keys” to the kingdom of heaven.”
  - He opened the doors to the Jews. Acts 2
  - He opened the doors to the Gentiles. Acts 11
- Was married and his wife sometimes traveled with him.
  1 Corinthians 9:5
- Was an elder in the church. 1 Peter 5:1-4
- According to tradition, Peter was crucified upside down in Rome prior to Nero’s death in A.D. 68.

Peter authored two books of the New Testament:
- 1 Peter
- 2 Peter

2 Peter was written not long before Peter’s death.

Peter focuses on the internal opposition caused by false teachers whose “destructive heresies” (2:10) can lead Christians into error and immorality.

Peter identifies eight virtues every Christian should have in his life.
- Faith
- Virtue
- Knowledge
- Self control
- Perservance
- Godliness
- Brotherly kindness
- Love

“The Lord is not slack concerning His promise as some men count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.”

2 Peter 3:9