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Key References:

2 Peter 3:4 (ESV) – They will say, “Where is the promise of his coming? For ever since the fathers fell asleep, all things are continuing as they were from the beginning of creation.”

2 Peter 3:7 (ESV) – But by the same word the heavens and earth that now exist are stored up for fire, being kept until the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly.

2 Peter 3:9–10 (ESV) – The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.¹⁰ But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed.

2 Peter 3:11–13 (ESV) – Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness,¹² waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set on fire and dissolved, and the heavenly bodies will melt as they burn!¹³ But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.

2 Peter 3:14 (ESV) – Therefore, beloved, since you are waiting for these, be diligent to be found by him without spot or blemish, and at peace.

Growing up, did you ever have a moment when you realized something you thought would last forever... didn't?

1 – OUR INNER SCOFFER

Read 2 Peter 3:1-7. **Why do you think people often dismiss messages about the end of the world as foolish or irrelevant?** Peter mentions that scoffers deliberately overlook certain truths. **What uncomfortable truths do you think people avoid today, and why?**

In what ways can we subtly minimize the seriousness of God's judgment? How does the idea of judgment make you uncomfortable, and what does that reveal about your heart toward God?

2 – GOD’S DELAYED JUDGMENT

Read 2 Peter 3:8–10. Peter describes God’s apparent delay as patience. **How does knowing God delays judgment out of mercy change the way you view His character?**

If God is patiently waiting for people to repent, how should this reshape your relationships with non-believers in your life?

3 – LIVING AS EXPECTANT BELIEVERS

Read 2 Peter 3:11–14. Discuss a time when your daily life felt cluttered by worldly concerns. **How could keeping eternity in mind help you live differently?**

What would change practically if you genuinely lived as though "the end is near"? How would your priorities shift this week?

4 – PEACE IN A PASSING WORLD

Read 2 Peter 3:14–18. Describe a time when you experienced unusual peace in circumstances that should have created panic. **How was Jesus central to that experience?**

How can you practically cultivate a mindset of peace rooted in Christ rather than circumstances, especially when you consider the chaos in today’s world?

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