



4. How does the horror of 2 Peter 3:10-12 awaken you to the urgency of witnessing to the lost?

5. 2 Peter 3:11 begins with a term of conclusion. In your own words write what this verse says.

6. What should characterize the life of every believer according to the last phrase of 2 Peter 3:11?

a. Define these words:

*holy*

*godliness*

7. How will obedience to Romans 12:1,2 assure us that we are being the kind of person we *ought* to be in relationship to Christ's return?

8. Sometimes the problem is not with the believer's desire to be *godly*, but the problem is caused by an indifferent or careless attitude toward the things of the world. What does 1 John 2:15-17 teach us about this?

a. Concentrate on the phrase, *or the things in the world*. How does this speak to you?

9. Share practical things that enable you to be obedient to 2 Peter 3:11.

10. In 2 Peter 3:12, the phrase *looking for* means "to expect or anticipate". In what way does that describe you today?

11. We need to realize that this dissolution of the *heavens and the earth and all the elements* will also involve the judgment of the sinner. Confirm this by writing Jude 14b,15.

a. What does Revelation 20:11-15 reveal about this?

12. In contrast to the judgment of the unbeliever, what glorious *promise* is given to believers in 2 Peter 3:13?

a. What does Isaiah 65:17 add to this *promise*?

13. John describes *a new heaven and a new earth* in Revelation 21:1-8. Next to the following verses, jot down any specific descriptions that capture your attention:

Revelation 21:1-3

Revelation 21:4,5

Revelation 21:6-8

## **2 Peter 3:10-13**

<sup>10</sup> But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up. <sup>11</sup> Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner *of persons* ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness, <sup>12</sup> looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be dissolved, being on fire, and the elements will melt with fervent heat? <sup>13</sup> Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.

