- A. False Teachers As Brute Beasts (2:10-12)
 - 1. They are defiled (2:10)
 Titus 1:15
 - **2.** They are despisers (2:10-11)
 - a. Of dominions (v 10)
 - **Jude 1:8**
 - **b.** Of glories (v 10-12)

 Jude 1:9
 - 3. They are destined for destruction (2:12) Jude 1:10

- B. False Teachers As Blinded And Blinding (2:13-16)
 - 1. They are blinded by unrighteousness (2:13-14) Romans 1:28
 - 2. The church is blind to their existence (2:13-14) a. Accepted (v 13)
 - b. Alluring (v 14)
 - 2 Corinthians 13:5
 - 3. They are blinded to the Lord (2:15-16) Numbers 22:31-33

- C. False Teachers As Boisterous Storms (2:17-19)
 - 1. They lack substance (2:17)
 Jude 1:12
 - 2. They lure through lust (2:18) Romans 13:13
 - 3. They lead to bondage (2:19) Romans 6:16

- D. False Teachers Will Show Themselves (2:20-22)
 - 1. Intellect will not save (2:20)
 - **2 Timothy 3:7**
 - **Luke 6:46**
 - 2. Insolence is inexcusable (2:21) Hebrews 10:26-27
 - 3. Inner nature will eventually take over (2:22) Proverbs 26:11

Living In The Last Days 2 Peter 3:1-7

Do Not Be Ignorant Of God (Like The World)

- A. With a pure mind (3:1)
- 2 Peter 3:1
- This second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you; in both which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance:
 - 1. So you can look at things properly
- **Titus 1:15**
- Unto the pure all things are pure: but unto them that are defiled and unbelieving is nothing pure; but even their mind and conscience is defiled.

- A. With a pure mind (3:1) continued
 - 2. So you want to look for more

Romans 13:11

And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed.

- B. When you see things unfold (3:2)
- 2 Peter 3:2

That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Saviour:

1. So you can understand John 12:16

These things understood not his disciples at the first: but when Jesus was glorified, then remembered they that these things were written of him, and that they had done these things unto him.

- B. When you see things unfold (3:2) continued
 - 2. So you can benefit

John 6:63

It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.

2 Peter 3:3-4

- 3 Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts,
- 4 And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation.

- A. The priority (3:3)
 - 1. To know what you are looking for
- 2 Corinthians 2:11
- Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices.

- A. The priority (3:3) continued
 - 2. To know why you are looking
- **2 Timothy 3:1**

This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.

Matthew 24:12

And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.

- **B.** The people (3:3)
 - 1. They are vocal

Acts 17:32

And when they heard of the resurrection of the dead, some mocked: and others said, We will hear thee again of this matter.

2. They are vengeful

Proverbs 9:7

He that reproveth a scorner getteth to himself shame: and he that rebuketh a wicked man getteth himself a blot.

- C. Their problems (3:3-4)
 - 1. Their path (v 3)
- 2 Timothy 3:2-4
- 2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,
- 3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,
- 4 Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;

- C. Their problems (3:3-4)
 - 2. Their presumption (v 4)
- James 4:13-14
- 13 Go to now, ye that say, To day or to morrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain:
- 14 Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.

- A. When the God of creation is denied (3:5)
- 2 Peter 3:5

For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:

- A. When the God of creation is denied (3:5)
 - 1. By those willing
- **Jude 18-20**
- 18 How that they told you there should be mockers in the last time, who should walk after their own ungodly lusts.
 19 These be they who separate themselves, sensual, having not the Spirit.
- 20 But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost.

- A. When the God of creation is denied (3:5) continued 2. By those who ignore the truth of His sovereignty and power
- Romans 1:21-22
- 21 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. 22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools,
- 1 Corinthians 1:26

For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called:

- B. When the God of past judgment is denied (3:6)
- 2 Peter 3:6
- Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished:
- **Matthew 24:37-39**
- 37 But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.
- 38 For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark,
- 39 And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

- C. When God's future judgment is denied (3:7)
- 2 Peter 3:7
- 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 ungodly men.
- Matthew 13:38-43
- 38 The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked one;
- 39 The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels.

- C. When God's future judgment is denied (3:7)
- Matthew 13:38-43 continued
- 40 As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world.
- 41 The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity;
- 42 And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.
- 43 Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

Don't Be Surprised

1 Thessalonians 5:4
But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief.