

Peter's Final Recorded Words

II Peter 3:18

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- Most scholars believe that the epistle of II Peter was written by the apostle in Rome just prior to his execution.
- So, our text truly becomes that last statement from Peter to Christians.
- The entire last paragraph is a warning to remain faithful, honor scripture, and avoid false teachings.
- This can be accomplished through spiritual growth.

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- *Peter says to*

GROW IN THE GRACE OF CHRIST

- The divine influence on the heart and its reflection in life.
 - Peter addresses this as he opens his letter- II Peter 1:2-3
- Liberality, gratitude, joy, giving favor.
- In other words, to grow in resemblance to Christ.

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GROW IN THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST

- **Peter says to grow in the knowledge of Christ.**
- **The person of Christ, the place of Christ, the performance of Christ.**
- **These are all discussed and made known in the gospel (good news) of Christ.**
- **There is also a “getting to know” aspect to this.**

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GROW IN THE GLORIFICATION OF CHRIST

- To him be glory forever and ever.
- Just like Jesus glorified his Father- John 17:3
- Hopefully, more and more of my life will be useful in the glorification of Jesus. How?
 - By accomplishing the work he gave us to do.