

A Reminder to Remember—Part 3

(2 Peter 1:12-21)

So I will always remind you of these things . . .

I think it is right to refresh your memory . . .

I will make every effort to see that . . . you will always be able to remember these things.

(2 Peter 1:12, 13, 15)

I. REMEMBER THIS: Your faith in Jesus Christ is supposed to be ALIVE!

*We did not follow cleverly invented stories when we told you about the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but **we were eyewitnesses of his majesty**. For he received honor and glory from God when the voice came from the majestic Glory, saying, “This is my Son whom I love; with him I am well pleased.” **We ourselves heard this voice that came from heaven** when we were with him on the sacred mountain.*

2 Peter 1:16-18 (NIV)

*Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a **living hope** through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.* 1 Peter 1:3 (NIV)

*We were also given absolutely terrific promises to pass on to you—your tickets to **participation in the life of God**.* 2 Peter 1:4 (MES)

II. REMEMBER THIS: Your faith in Jesus Christ is supposed to make you an ALIEN.

*I think it is right to refresh your memory as long as I live in the **tent** of this body, because I know that I will soon put it aside, as our Lord Jesus Christ has made clear to me.* 2 Peter 1:13-14 (NIV)

*Dear friends, I urge you as **aliens and strangers** in the world to abstain from sinful desires which wage war against your soul.* 1 Peter 2:11 (NIV)

*Friends, **this world is not your home**, so don't make yourselves cozy in it.* 1 Peter 2:11 (MES)

III. REMEMBER THIS: Your faith in Jesus Christ is supposed to bring you under _____.

*And we have the word of the prophets made more certain, and you will do well to **pay attention to it**, as to a light shining in a dark place . . . for prophecy never has its origin in the will of man, but **men spoke from God** as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.*

2 Peter 1:19, 21 (NIV)

Who gives the orders in your life?

1. _____? 2. _____? 3. _____?

*I care very little if I am judged by you or by any human court, indeed, I do not even judge myself. My conscience is clear, but that does not make me innocent. **It is the Lord who judges me.***

1 Corinthians 4:2-4 (NIV)

The key to greatness in life is not to _____ many things but to be _____ by one thing!

I have not yet reached my goal, and I am not perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ took hold of me—and He has taken hold of me! I don't feel that I have arrived, but one thing I do. I forget what is behind and I struggle for what is ahead. I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus. Philippians 3:12-14 (CEV, NIV)

Examples:

1. _____
(Esther 4:15-16)

2. _____
(Daniel 3:16-18)

3. _____
(Acts 5:29)

4. _____
(Acts 20:22-24)

THE ULTIMATE QUESTION:

Do you want a life that is merely _____ or do you want a life that is truly _____?