Peter's Second Letter

REMINDERS:

THE FOUR MOST IMPORTANT REALITIES
FOR CHRISTIANS TO REMEMBER
THROUGHOUT LIFE

2 PETER 1:12-21

Scripture Reading

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Suggest a motive for . . .

- 1. Peter's humility.
- 2. Peter's reason for writing.

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