Review:

Peter opened the chapter with an exhortation to spiritual growth.

The key to proper growth is the sure word of prophecy given by God.

I. Men Die: The Scriptures Live

v 12 - 15

v 12 the present truth - the Bible is a gift which is available to every generation. God uses his word to establish his children.

v 13-14 Peter, and all the writers of the new Testament, died; but the scriptures live on !

Matt 24:35 (Mk 13:31, Lk 21:33) John 6:63 Hebrews 4:12

II. Experiences Fade: The Scriptures Endure v 16 - 19a

Peter, along with James and John, was on the Mount of Transfiguration and witnessed Jesus in his glory. Forty years had passed and his memory was fading. So he reminds us . . . We have also a <u>more sure word of prophecy</u>.

1 Peter 1:25

III. The World Darkens: The Scriptures Shine v 19b - 21

In this confused, dark world full of turmoil, the scriptures shine and illumine our hearts and mind.

Ps 19:8, Ps 119:105 & 130, Pr 6:23

Bible word study

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| Scriptures | (32 x in 32 v) | Mk 12:10 | 2 Tim 3:16 | 2 Pet 1:20 |
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