



Final Directions to the Last Stop (Part 2)

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2 Peter 3:15



14 Therefore, beloved, since you look for these things, be diligent to be found by Him spotless and blameless, [and] in peace. **15** And consider the patience of our Lord to be salvation, just as also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdom given to him wrote to you— **16** As also in all his letters, speaking in them concerning these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which the unlearned and unstable twist, as also the rest of the Scriptures, to their own destruction.

17 You, therefore, beloved, knowing this beforehand, be on your guard so that you are not carried away by the error of unprincipled men [and] fall from your own steadfastness, **18** But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory, both now and to the day of eternity. [Amen.]

— 2 Peter 3:14-18 (TB's translation from the Greek NT)

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Introduction: Matthew 25 as a commentary on 2 Peter 3:14-18 . . .

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II. A Delay to Consider (15)

A. What's the Delay? (cf. 3:9)

B. Another Voice: The Apostle Paul

1. What sort of *things* might Peter be referring to?

2. It may be that the opponents had seized on Paul's writings to advance their own agenda

3. Paul's letters familiar to Peter's readers