**Persevering to the End #7**

September 20, 2020 – 2 Peter 3:11-18

**“****While We Wait”**

Live lives of holiness and godliness (11-13)

Be diligent to be found without spot or blemish (14-16)

Take care not to be carried away but to grow in knowing God (17-18)

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Questions for discussion and reflection

1. What are some things that you wait for that require preparation while you wait? What would happen if you didn’t do that preparation?

2. Read 2 Peter 3:11-18. What does Peter tell us we are waiting for? What is that going to look like when it comes? When is it going to come?

3. What is supposed to characterize our lives while we wait for that day to come according to verse 1? What does that look like? How important does it sound that we should be preparing in this way?

4. What do you think it means that we are to be “hastening” the coming of that day? Are there practical things that we can be doing in that regard?

5. Will the church be able to make the world a place where righteousness dwells? How will that come about instead? If we can’t make that happen, then why does it matter that we live lives of holiness and godliness?

6. What does it mean to count the patience of the Lord as salvation? What is the reason God is being patient? How does our view of His patience impact the way we live before He returns?

7. Should we assume that a person’s point is valid because he or she is quoting Scripture? Why or why not? What should our response be when someone quotes the Bible to convince us of something?

8. What errors do you see today that people are being carried away by? What should our response be?

9.How can we grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus? How can we make that more of a priority in our lives?

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