

Feeding Your Soul

Chapter Overview

2 Peter
Ch. 1

- 1 Please read through the entire chapter at least three times before answering the questions below (*reading different versions helps some people with understanding*):

_____ I have read this chapter at least three times

- 2 Remember as you approach the living Word of God begin with prayer:

**CONFESS
YOUR SINS**
1 Peter 2:1-2

**EXPECT TO
BE CHANGED**
2 Corinthians 3:18

**COMMITMENT
TO OBEY**
James 1:22-25

- 3 In order to understand a letter, we must understand the overall idea the author is trying to communicate to his original audience. This has to do with the overall purpose for writing the letter. Usually, one whole chapter is a complete unit of thought, and each of the chapters builds the author's purpose for writing this letter to this particular group of people. Also, if an author keeps repeating certain words or ideas, we know that this is a clue as to what the main idea of the chapter might be. Please note the repeated words that you see in the paragraph itself as well as throughout the book as a whole.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Using your green pencil to mark any repeated words or ideas you notice with corresponding symbols (for example, one word can be noted with a green star while a different word can be noted with a green squiggle below it).
- Using your black pencil, use brackets to mark any lists.
- Using your blue pencil, place a box around any connecting words (e.g., but, and, for, therefore, so, so that, because).
- Using your orange pencil, mark any similarities or comparisons (faith is like gold) or any contrasts (light vs. dark).
- Write your summaries and titles for the paragraphs in the spaces given below. Then write a chapter title (try to make it fewer than six words) in the space provided.

4 Write a chapter title and paragraph summaries in the boxes provided.

Chapter Title:

2 Peter 1:1-4

Simon Peter, a bond-servant and apostle of Jesus Christ,

To those who have received a faith of the same kind as ours, by the righteousness of our God and Savior, Jesus Christ:

2 Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord; 3 seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence. 4 For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, so that by them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust.

<u>Summary</u>	<u>Repeated Words</u>

2 Peter 1:5-7

5 Now for this very reason also, applying all diligence, in your faith supply moral excellence, and in your moral excellence, knowledge, 6 and in your knowledge, self-control, and in your self-control, perseverance, and in your perseverance, godliness, 7 and in your godliness, brotherly kindness, and in your brotherly kindness, love.

<u>Summary</u>	<u>Repeated Words</u>

2 Peter 1:8-11

8 For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they render you neither useless nor unfruitful in the true knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 For he who lacks these qualities is blind or shortsighted, having forgotten his purification from his former sins. 10 Therefore, brethren, be all the more diligent to make certain about His calling and choosing you; for as long as you practice these things, you will never stumble; 11 for in this way the entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will be abundantly supplied to you.

<u>Summary</u>	<u>Repeated Words</u>

PARAGRAPH SUMMARIES CONT.

2 Peter 1:12-15

12 Therefore, I will always be ready to remind you of these things, even though you already know them, and have been established in the truth which is present with you. 13 I consider it right, as long as I am in this earthly dwelling, to stir you up by way of reminder, 14 knowing that the laying aside of my earthly dwelling is imminent, as also our Lord Jesus Christ has made clear to me. 15 And I will also be diligent that at any time after my departure you will be able to call these things to mind.

Summary

Repeated Words

2 Peter 1:16-18

16 For we did not follow cleverly devised tales when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of His majesty. 17 For when He received honor and glory from God the Father, such an utterance as this was made to Him by the Majestic Glory, “This is My beloved Son with whom I am well-pleased”— 18 and we ourselves heard this utterance made from heaven when we were with Him on the holy mountain.

Summary

Repeated Words

2 Peter 1:19-21

19 So we have the prophetic word made more sure, to which you do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star arises in your hearts. 20 But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is a matter of one’s own interpretation, 21 for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Summary

Repeated Words

5 Write down something you noticed or a question you have about this chapter.