**The Destination of Apostasy, Part 5a**

**II Pet. 3:1-18**

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**I. Introduction (1:1-2)**

**II. The Deliverance from Apostasy (1:3-21)**

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**I. The Reminder (vv. 1-2)**

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**IV. The Revelation (vv. 10-13)**

**V. The Responsibility (vv. 14-18)**

**PREMISE**: **The LORD will bring an end of the History of Apostate Humanity and create New Heavens and Earth where there will be no more Apostasy! Apostasy started in perfect creation with angels, then with man, and soon whole creation will be burnt up! Only what is done for Christ will last!**

**The Responsibility (vv. 14-18)**

**II Pet. 3:14 (Part 5a)**

\*What vain thing that is going to burn up is keeping you from the will of God? (Eccl. 1:2)

Wherefore: > “it follows” (I Pet. 1:13; 2:6; II Pet. 1:10, 12)

Beloved: professed believers and church members (I Pet. 2:11; 4:12;)

**I. The Anticipation**: vv. 12, 13, 14 (Trib. Mill. DOG = DOE NJ)

A. *“look for such things”* *prosdokao* (vv. 12, 13, 14)

B. Day of LORD (Trib. + Mill.) > Dan. 9:24-27

1. Isa. 13:6

2. Zech. 14:1 ff.

3. I Thes. 5:2 ff.

C. Day of God (v. 12) = Day of Eternity (v. 18)

**II. The Alertness**:

A. Be diligent (*aorist* imperative [*spodazao* (11x)] > Eph. 4:3; II Tim. 2:15

B. II Pet. 1:10, 15

**III. The Action:**

**A. In peace** (with Lord and with others): Rom. 5:1 and Col. 3:15; no peace for wicked (Isa. 48:22). [Athletic Analogy: team player > right with coach and team? Show up for practices/games, contribute, obey coach, get along with players (fellowship)? Freeloading! Support team (finances > giving statement times 10 for yearly gross income [avg. salary in CT $48K]), living off of interest? Still income! > **ARE YOU A TEAM PLAYER?**]

**B. Without spot** *aspilos* I Pet. 1:19 apostates > II Pet. 2:13

**C. Blameless** *amometos* Phil. 2:15

**CONCLUSION:** Today prepare for Tomorrow!