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

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

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**A. Alertness (v. 14)**

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**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 5c)**

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

**I. Alertness (v. 14):** behaviour > anticipation, alertness, action

**II. Acknowledgement (vv. 15-16), Part 2 > Asterisks-ology**

**A. References**:

1. *“Unstable”* (*Asteriktos* = Aster/isks > \*) > II Pet. 2:14; II Pet. 3:16

2. *“Wandering Stars”* (*asteres planetai*) > Jude 1:13 > Acts 14:12 (Roman names: “Jupiter” and “Mercurius”) > *aster* (24x) > Mt. 2:2, 7, 9, 10; Num. 24:17 > Rev. 22:16 > II Pet. 1:19 (*phosphoros* [1x] = “Venus” [after Sun and Moon, brightest astral object]).

**B. Redactions**:

1. Collusion conspiracy > II Pet. 3:16; Rev. 22:18-19 > Dt. 4:2; 12:32

2. “Corrections”

a. All Scripture is inspired (II Tim. 3:16)

b. God was manifest in the flesh (I Tim. 3:16)

c. Woman taken in adultery (Jn. 7:53-8:11)

d. Requisite for baptism (Acts 8:37)

e. Christian approves daughter’s marriage (I Cor. 7:36-37)

f. The Trinity (I Jn. 5:7)

g. Blood of Christ (Lk. 22:44 [RVS]; (Acts 20:28 [ASV])

3. Consequences

a. Corrupted Greek Text (1st century) > Greek Critical Text (1881)

b. Modern Versions: ASV (1901), RSV (1952), NAS (1971), NIV (1973), NKJV (1982), MEV (2014).

**III. Advantage (vv. 17-18)**

**CONCLUSION: The Lord is longsuffering but not slack in the 2nd coming of Christ!**