

## **2 Peter 2:1-3**

### **What Believers Need to Know about Big Bad Wolves**

#### **2 Peter 1: HOLINESS Cultivate Spiritual Growth**

##### **Spiritual Offense**

Grow Spiritually and Express Godly Character/Good Good-Works 1:2-11

Grow Spiritually by an Embrace of God's Faithful Word 1:12-21

#### **2 Peter 2: HERESY Counter Pseudo-Christian Geeks**

##### **Spiritual Defense**

Beware the Fact of False Teachers 2:1-3

Be Aware of the Final Doom of False Teachers 2:4-9

Be Aware of the Faults of False Teachers 2:10-22

#### **2 Peter 3: HOPE Constantly Look Toward Christ's Glorious Return**

##### **Spiritual Special Teams**

Don't Be Shocked by Man's Present/Future Mockery 3:1-7

Don't Be Uncertain of the Lord's Ultimate/Eternal Victory 3:8-13

## **Bad News about Big Bad Wolves 2:1-3a**

### **Bad News 1:**

BBWs Have Always Attempted to Influence Real Believers v1

*But false prophets also arose among the people, just as there will also be false teachers among you, who will secretly introduce destructive heresies, even denying the Master who bought them, bringing swift destruction upon themselves*

### **The Point**

Big Bad Spiritual Wolves are a threat to every believer's spiritual vitality  
...and mass communication only makes this worse

## **Bad News 2:**

BBWs Can Be Embraced by Real Believers v2a

*Many (not just a few) will follow their sensuality*

### **The Point**

Big Bad Spiritual Wolves Often Have “Success” in Affecting Real Believers

## **Bad News 3:**

BBWs Harm the Credibility of Real Christianity v2b

*because of them the way of the truth will be maligned*

### **The Point**

Big Bad Spiritual Wolves Make Christians/Christianity Look Bad

## **Bad News 4:**

BBWs Have Been Supported Financially by Real Believers v3a

*in their greed they will exploit you with false words*

### **The Point**

Some People Enjoy Hearing “New” Teachings and Will Pay for the Privilege

## **Good News about Big Bad Wolves 2:3b**

*their punishment from long ago is not idle, and their destruction is not asleep!*

### **The Point**

BBWs Are Accountable to God and Will Be Put Out of Business by Christ Himself!

## **Take This To Heart**

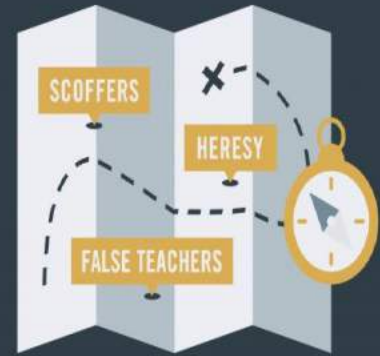
Believers with Solid Biblical Convictions (epignosis) and Holiness-(Spiritual Consistency) Will Avoid the Spiritual Shipwreck Caused by False Teachers.

HINT: Just because somebody is “in print,” has a Youtube Channel and/or can draw a crowd doesn’t mean you should believe what s/he is teaching or buy what s/he is selling.



— GIVING ALL DILIGENCE —

2:1-3



# 2 PETER

Holiness, Heresy and Hope

W A R N I N G













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# Top 5 Signs You Might Be Attending a BAD University

The campus is in South Carolina but the dorms are....  
...in South Dakota?!?

Rather than paying Big Time Coaches millions of dollars, they pay...  
...Small Time Speech Teachers hundreds of dollars!

Grades are not based on how many hours you study/semester but...  
...on how many times you wash your Professors' cars/semester!

They only hire Adjunct Instructors who are quirky and who enjoy...





...scaring really small children

# The Message of 2 Peter

A Christ-Centered **HOPE** Should Motivate  
Believers Now to Embrace a Lifestyle of True  
**HOLINESS** and to Avoid the **HERESIES**  
(Morally/Doctrinally) of False Teachers.

# 2 Peter

Therefore beloved...be diligent to be found in Him  
in peace, spotless and blameless...grow in the grace  
and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

HOPE Chapter 3

HERESY Chapter 2

HOLINESS Chapter 1



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BBWs Have Always Attempted to Harm RBs

BBWs: Can Be Embraced by RBs

BBWs: Harm the Credibility of RB/Christianity

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## 2 Peter 2:1

But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them and bring upon themselves swift destruction.

## Hebrews 2:9

But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honor; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man.



## John 3:16-18

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. He that believeth on him is not condemned but he that believeth not is condemned already because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

# Who Said This?

Watch out for false prophets. They come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are **ferocious wolves**.

Matthew 7:15

I know that after I leave, **savage wolves** will come in among you and will not spare the flock. Even from your own number men will arise and distort the truth in order to draw away disciples after them.

Acts 20:29-30

# Deuteronomy 13

If a prophet, or one who foretells by dreams, appears among you and announces to you a sign or wonder, and if the sign or wonder spoken of takes place, and then the prophet says, let us follow other gods and worship them, you must not listen to the words of that prophet or dreamer.

# Deuteronomy 18

But a prophet who presumes to speak in my name anything I have not commanded, or a prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, is to be put to death. You may say to yourselves, how can we know when a message has not been spoken by the LORD? If what a prophet proclaims in the name of the LORD does not take place or come true, that is a message the LORD has not spoken. That prophet has spoken presumptuously, so do not be alarmed.

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The illustration depicts two houses side-by-side. The house on the left is built on a large, dark, craggy rock. It is a two-story orange house with a green roof, a green door, and two windows with green shutters. A speech bubble points to it. The house on the right is built on a patch of sand. It is a similar two-story orange house with a green roof and a green door, but it is shown in the process of collapsing. Debris is flying everywhere, and a speech bubble points to it. The background is a light blue sky.

THE WISE MAN  
BUILDS HIS HOUSE  
UPON THE ROCK.

THE FOOLISH MAN  
BUILDS HIS HOUSE  
UPON THE SAND.

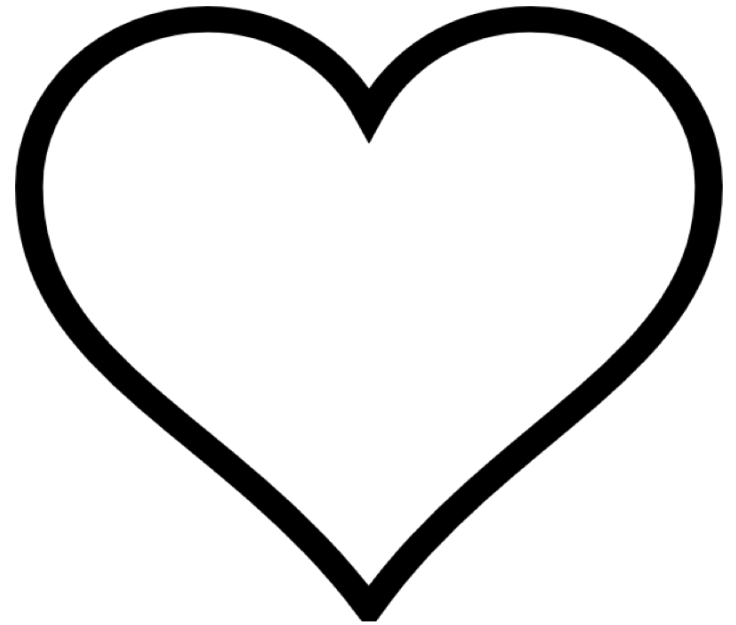


You can't weather the  
**storms** of life  
unless your **foundation**  
is built on the  
**SOLID ROCK** of  
GOD

# Hebrews 4:12

The Word of God  
is alive and powerful...

...and is a critic of  
*1: the thoughts and*  
*2: the intents of*  
*the heart*



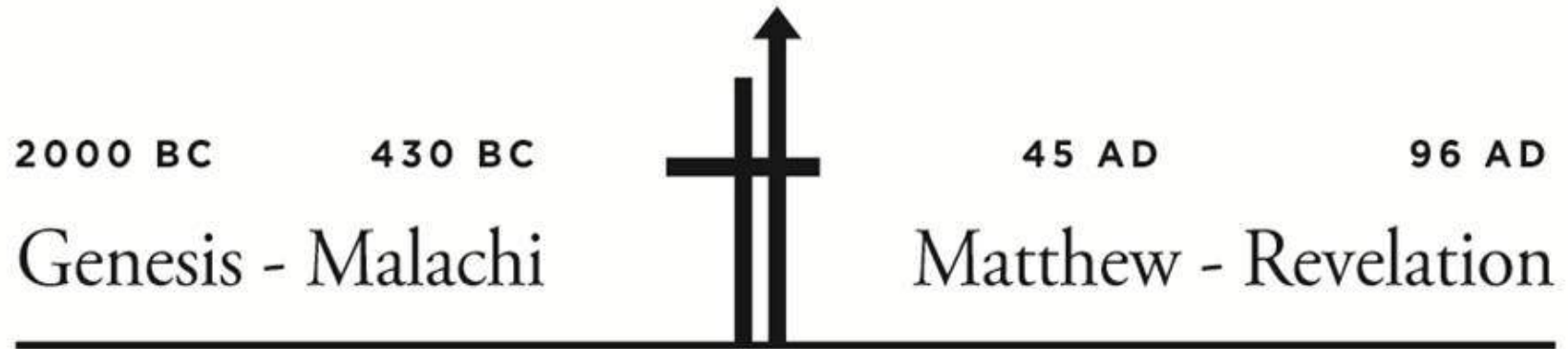


Mind-Consciousness

Will-Convictions

# The Bible

## A SYNTHETIC OVERVIEW



**ONE MAJOR PREMISE:**  
All Humans are Sinners/Die...

**ONE MAJOR PREMISE:**  
Jesus of Nazareth is the Savior/Alive...

**ONE MAJOR PROMISE:**  
...the Savior is Coming!

**ONE MAJOR PROMISE:**  
...the Savior is Coming Back!

**The OT Law is Holy, Just and Good BUT It is Only Partial, Preliminary and It Points to the Jewish Messiah/Savior of the World: Jesus Christ**



Κυριος  
Lord

Ιησους  
Jesus

Χριστος  
Christ

He is the Exclusive Issue and the Exclusive Issuer of Salvation/Everlasting Life to All Who Trust in Him

corresponds  
to the OT Word

יהוה

meaning  
"God"

Title: God

corresponds  
to the OT Word

ישוע

meaning  
"God-Savior"

Human Name:  
God-Savior

corresponds  
to the OT Word

משיח

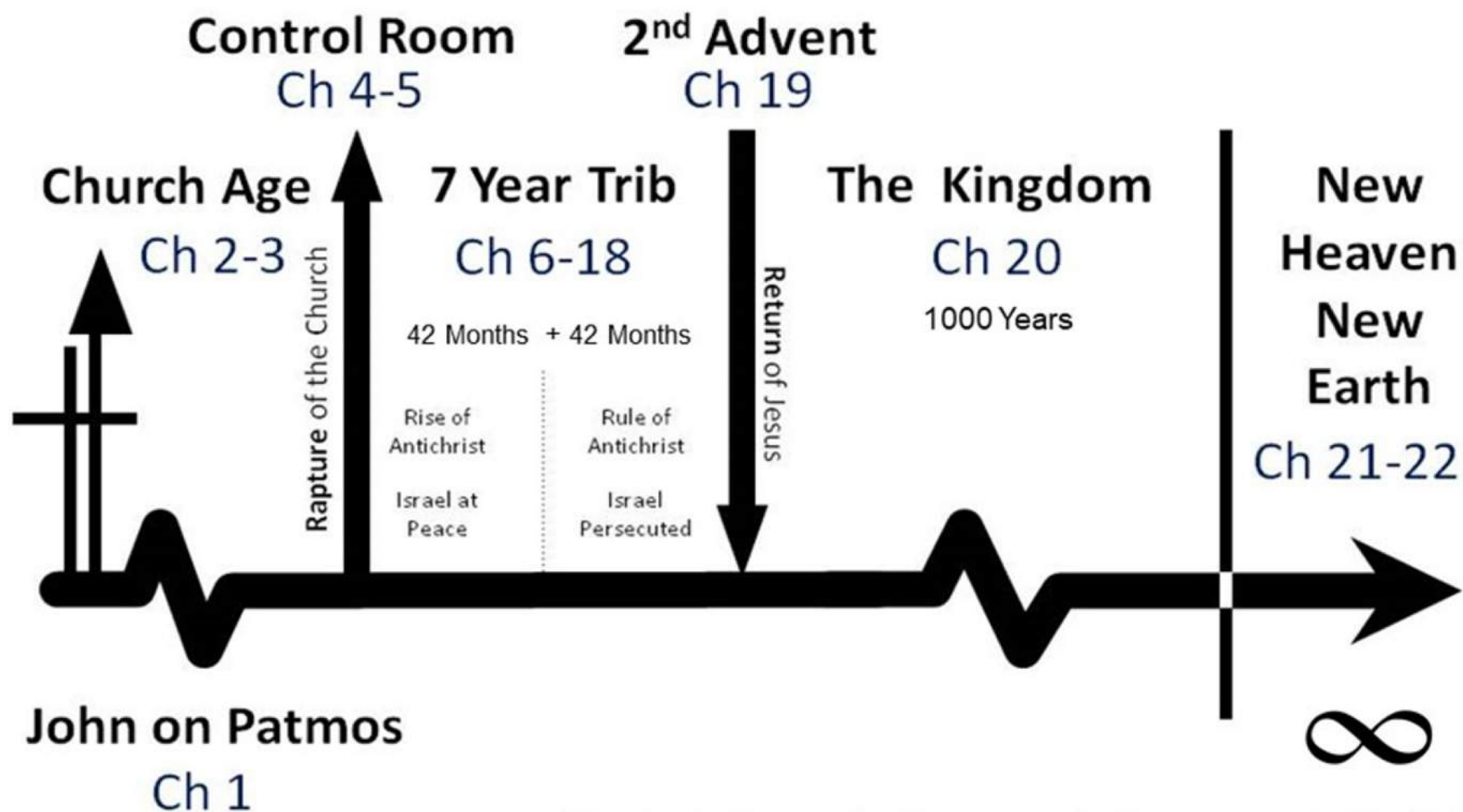
meaning  
"Savior"

Title: Savior

Lord Jesus Christ = God-Man-Savior

Prologue 1:1-11

Epilogue 22:6-21



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# The Grace of the Gospel is Rooted in The Reality of the Resurrection

Christ Died (SAS) for Our Sins

according to the Scriptures

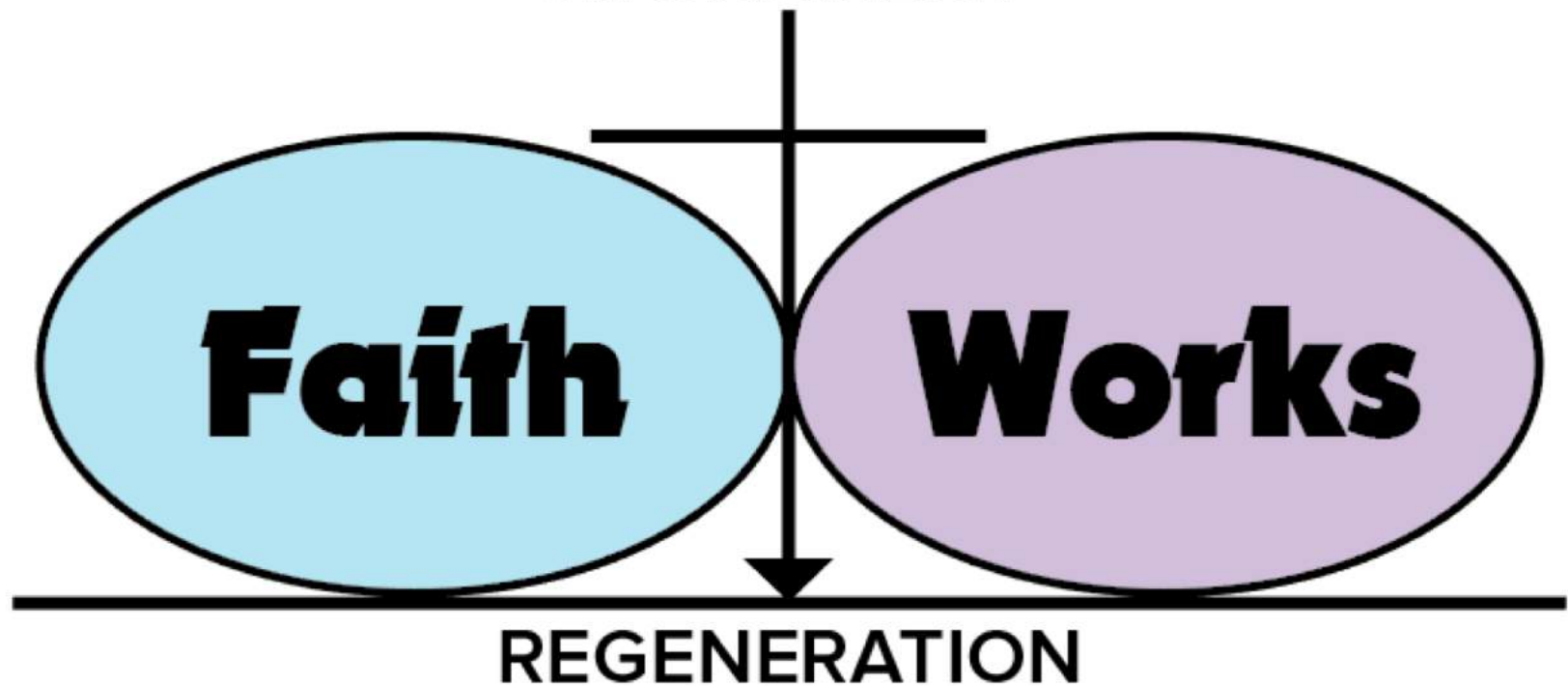
and He (His dead body) was buried

He Was Raised (LBSR) from the Dead

according to the Scriptures

and He appeared (in His body transformed)

ATONEMENT



**Root Cause**

Ephesians 2:8-9

*Not by Works  
Come to the Light*

► **Fruit Effect**

Ephesians 2:10

*But for Works  
Let your Light Shine*

# Gnosis

Awareness of Information

“Knowing” about Flying  
From Books/Plane Rides

Biblical Consciousness

Involves the Head

1 Corinthians 8:1

# Epignosis

Info Embraced as Truth

“Knowing” about Flying  
From Flying Airplanes

Biblical Convictions

Involves the Heart

Romans 3:20; 10:2