

LIVING IN EXPECTATION OF CHRIST'S RETURN
(2 Peter 3:11-13)

- I. TEMPORAL Expectation (2 Pet. 3:11)
 - A. Our MOTIVE: "ALL these things are to be DISSOLVED"
 - 1. Everything MATERIAL we have ACQUIRED
 - 2. Everything TEMPORAL we have ACCOMPLISHED
 - 3. Everything EARTHLY to which we have ASPIRED
 - B. Our CHARACTER: "What SORT of people ought YOU to be!"
 - 1. Demonstrate external CONDUCT that is HOLY
 - 2. Maintain internal ATTITUDE that is GODLY

- II. ETERNAL Anticipation (2 Pet. 3:12-13)
 - A. Our ATTITUDE toward what is COMING
 - 1. We are to be "LOOKING FOR" the coming "day of GOD"
 - 2. We are to be "HASTENING" or "HASTENING TOWARD" it
 - B. Our EXPECTATION of what is COMING

1. The DESTRUCTION of the cosmos (cf. Isa. 34:4)
 - a. "The HEAVENS will be destroyed by BURNING"
 - b. "The ELEMENTS will MELT with intense HEAT"

2. The introduction of "NEW HEAVENS and a NEW EARTH" (cf. Rev. 21:1-4, 22-27)
 - a. They will be NEW in QUALITY
 - b. RIGHTEOUSNESS will DWELL in them