

THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES
2 PETER 1:12-21 / JUNE 25, 2017 AM

I. FIRST, REMEMBER WHO JESUS IS.

- A. What do we need to remember about Jesus?---1:1
- B. What are the implications of this phrase— “...our God and Savior Jesus Christ....”?
1. It not a reference to two separate beings.
 2. Jesus is not only our Savior, but also God—John 1:1-3; 14.
 3. The Apostle Paul reminds us of this same truth—Col. 1:16-17.
- C. How can we be sure, though, that Jesus really is God?
1. Jesus fulfilled O.T. prophecy concerning the Messiah--Isa. 7:14 Matt. 1:22.
 2. Other people worshipped Jesus as God--Matt. 2:11.
 3. Jesus accepted the worship of others--Matt. 14:32-33.
 4. Jesus claimed to be God--John 8:58-59 and John 10:30.
 5. Performed numerous miracles.
 6. Resurrected from the dead.

II. SECOND, REMEMBER WHO WE ARE.

- A. Peter says remember we are saved—1:10.
- B. Why is it so important we remember we are saved?
1. One of the devil's most effective tools is to tempt Christians to doubt their salvation.
 2. Peter writes, “...make your calling and election sure”.

- C. How can we be sure that we're Christians--Romans 10:9; Eph. 2:8-9; Rev. 3:20; John 10:27-29

III. THIRD, REMEMBER JESUS IS COMING AGAIN.

- A. The Second Coming is a major theme in Peter's Second Epistle—1:19.
- B. Some false teachers were trying to convince people it wasn't going to happen—3:3-4.
- C. What evidence does Peter give?
 1. First, there is the evidence of Jesus first coming—1:16.
 2. Second, there is the evidence of Jesus' divinity displayed at His Transfiguration—1:17-18 (Matthew 17).
 3. Third, there is the evidence of O.T. prophecy—1:19.