

Stand Fast

1 Peter 5:12—2 Peter 1:2 / Staying Focused
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1 Peter 5

- Be the True Grace of God
 - Could this really be what it means to live under the grace of God?
 - 2 Corinthians 12:7-12
- Stand Firm
 - We've been told the indicative and now we see the imperative.
 - Standing firm means relying on what we already have, not on looking for the "new and improved".
- Peace to All in Christ
 - The experience of the Giver, and not the gift.

2 Peter 1

- Multiplication of Grace and Peace
 - A grace that builds in the life of a believer
 - Is the point of salvation to escape hell, or to be filled with Christ? Yes!
- The True Knowledge of God
 - The truth that gives us grace
 - Hebrews 12:1-2

Application

- A people too easily distracted
 - Staying focused through the knowledge of God
 - Matthew 4:4

Suggested Reading:

Disciplines of a Godly Man, by R. Kent Hughes

Disciplines of a Godly Woman, by Barbara Hughes

Disciplines of a Godly Young Man, by R. Kent Hughes & W. Carey Hughes

Questions/Discovery Points for Life Groups/Families

Please read 1 Peter 5:12—2 Peter 1:2

1. In terms of theme and application, in what ways are the letters of 1 and 2 Peter the same? In what ways are they different?
2. How does growing and focusing on true knowledge of God multiply grace in our lives? How do we see this grace played out?
3. Can you think of a time when a brief moment of distraction ended up bringing drastic consequences for you? Share your experience with the group.
4. What are the distractions in your life that tend to remove your focus from Christ and the hope in Him?
5. How can you practically remain focused throughout the day when you have so many things vying for your attention?