

**SEEING  
THE BIG  
PICTURE**





## ***2 Peter 3:8-15***

***But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. <sup>9</sup> The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.***

***<sup>10</sup> But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything***



## ***2 Peter 3:8-15***

***done in it will be laid bare.***

***<sup>11</sup> Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives <sup>12</sup> as you look forward to the day of God and speed its coming. That day will bring about the destruction of the heavens by fire, and the elements will melt in the heat. <sup>13</sup> But in keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, where righteousness dwells.***



## ***2 Peter 3:8-15***

***<sup>14</sup> So then, dear friends, since you are looking forward to this, make every effort to be found spotless, blameless and at peace with him. <sup>15</sup> Bear in mind that our Lord's patience means salvation, just as our dear brother Paul also wrote you with the wisdom that God gave him.***

**If you really want to get involved in the life that God has given you, you have to learn to see the big picture.**





# THINK IN TERMS OF ETERNITY

*"If you make every game a matter of life and death, you'll be dead a lot."*

*Dean Smith*



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# THINK IN TERMS OF ETERNITY

Learning to see the Big Picture involves learning to think in terms of eternity.







# LIVE IN THE MOMENT

***2 Peter 3:8***

***With the Lord a day is like a thousand years.***

# LIVE IN THE MOMENT

We must learn to live **IN** the moment, but not **FOR** the moment.





# LIVE IN THE MOMENT

*Living for the moment can be summarized  
by the statement:*

*1 Corinthians 15:32*

*Let us eat and drink for tomorrow we die.*



# LIVE IN THE MOMENT

*Living in the moment can be summarized by Paul's statement:  
Philippians 1:21  
For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.*



# LIVE IN THE MOMENT

***2 Peter 3:10-13***

***But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything in it will be laid bare.***

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# LIVE IN THE MOMENT

***2 Peter 3:11***

***Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives***



# LIVE IN THE MOMENT

***2 Peter 3:14***

***So then, dear friends, since you are looking forward to this, make every effort to be found spotless, blameless and at peace with him.***



# LIVE IN THE MOMENT

EVERY day matters



# LIVE IN THE MOMENT

"Every day is a gift from God-  
-and I will live like it matters  
for all eternity, because it  
does."





# PREPARE FOR THE BEST

**2 Pete 3:13**

***But in keeping with his promise, we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness.***



# PREPARE FOR THE BEST

***2 Peter 3:9***

***The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.***

# PREPARE FOR THE BEST

Learning to see the Big Picture means that we accept in faith that God has great things in store for us-- in this life and in the life to come.



**We celebrate every single day as a gift of mercy from our loving Father in heaven -- and we share that mercy with the world around us.**

