Questions on 2 Peter chapter 3

1. What direct statement leads us to believe Peter was the author of both books bearing his name? Verse 1.

2. What was Peter’s objective for both books? Verse 1.

3. Whose commandment is referred to in verse 2? (See the American Standard Version)

4. When were the scoffers going to come? Verse 3.

5. Was the statement of the scoffers true? Verse 4

6. Of what fact of history were the scoffers ignorant? Verse 5.

7. Does the word “perished” mean “dissolved into non-existence”? Verse 6. (See 1 Peter 1:7 and Luke 5:37)

8. What are the three “heavens” of the Bible, and which one is meant here? Verse 7.

9. Can you think of another New Testament passage in which fire is connected with the second coming of Christ? Verse 7.

10. How does the statement in verse 8 fit into the context of chapter 3? Verse 8.

11. What is meant by the statement that “the Lord is not slack concerning his promise”? Verse 9.

12. What two false arguments of the scoffers has Peter now refuted? Verse 9.

13. In what way will the day of the Lord come as a thief? Verse 10.

14. What do you think the “elements” are that shall melt with fervent heat? Verse 10.

15. In view of the destruction of verses 10 and 11, what manner of persons ought we to be? Verses 10-11.

16. Can you locate a passage, or passages, in the Bible promising new heavens and a new earth? Verse 13.

17. Do you believe heaven will be on this earth? Why, or why not? Verse 13.

18. How should we “be found of him” in that day? Verse 14.

19. How is the longsuffering of our Lord salvation? Verse 15.

20. According to Peter, did Paul ever write to these Christians? Verse 15.

21. Should we only study scriptures that are easy to understand? Verse 16.

22. What does it mean “to wrest” the Scriptures and what class of people do this? Verse 16.

23. Does Peter regard Paul’s writings as inspired? How do you know? Verse 16.

24. Is it possible for a person to fall from a state of steadfastness? Verse 17.

25. What is Peter’s final exhortation to these Christians? Verse 18.