

TWO THINGS GOD KNOWS HOW TO DO *from* 2 PETER 2:4-10A

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In 2 Peter 2:1-3, Peter warns churches about false teaching. False teaching is destructive because there is nothing in this world more important than salvation through Jesus Christ. Peter then closes verse 3 with the assurance that God will condemn these imposters. Verses 4-10a go on to prove from historical precedent two connected truths: *God will rescue the righteous and he will punish the unrighteous.*

As we think about the sober reminder that judgment is coming, we ought to walk away with one central imperative: *we must cling to the Christ of the Bible.* Why? Because God will rescue the righteous and he will punish the unrighteous. This text has three important examples from history that prove that very point.

1. Three Proofs

We know that God will rescue the righteous and punish the unrighteous because of the example of:

1.1. The Sinning Angels (v. 4)

1.2. The Ancient World & Noah (v. 5)

1.3. The Two Cities & Lot (vv. 6-8)

2. Two Conclusions

2.1. God knows how to keep the unrighteous for the Day of Judgment (vv 9b-10a).

2.2. God knows how to deliver the godly from trial (vv 9a).