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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Will 2023 Be a Year of Growth?

2 Peter 3:10-18



John William Castle
September 28, 1926 –
October 8, 2022



Ronald Dean Robbins
December 15, 1955 -
November 28, 2022

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- Warnings

- Coming of the Day of Lord
- False teachers distort truth

- Exhortation

3:17 You therefore, beloved, since you know *this* beforehand, beware lest you also fall from your own steadfastness, being led away with the error of the wicked..

- 3:18 but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him *be* the glory both now and forever. Amen.

Grow in grace and knowledge

- God blesses His people (the righteous)
1 Peter 3:10-12 For the eyes of the LORD *are* on the righteous, and His ears *are open* to their prayers; But the face of the LORD *is* against those who do evil.”

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Grow in..

Grace

- Deeper remorse
1 Tim 1:12-15
- Strong prayer life
1 John 5:14-15
- Peace/contentment
Phil 4:6/11-13
- Sharing the light
Matthew 5:16

Knowledge

- Diligent study
 - Scriptural knowledge
2 Tim 2:15
- Personal application
 - Spiritual wisdom
Acts 17:11

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A painting of a large, spreading tree in a savanna landscape. The tree is the central focus, with a thick trunk and a wide, flat canopy of green leaves. The ground is a dry, yellowish-brown plain. In the background, there are other smaller trees and a distant horizon under a pale sky. The overall style is that of a classic oil painting.

**A Test: Do We Really want
this church to grow?**



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