

# AMBASSADORS FOR CHRIST 4



## **Introduction**

Most Christians want to be ready for the coming of Jesus, but are not really concerned for others. However Jesus is concerned! His seeming delay is so that many more will come to know Him as their Lord and Savior too. As His ambassadors we need to spread the Good News.

*Scripture Reading*    2 Peter 3:1-18

### **1. Our Witness by Words**

- ✪ What will many do and say in the last days? v3-4
- ✪ What are these scoffers deliberately ignoring, and what will happen to them? v5-7
- ✪ Why is the Lord delaying His return according to v8-9? How should this change our attitude to those who don't know Christ yet?
- ✪ In v12 it says that we should 'speed its coming'. How can we 'speed' the return of Christ do you think? Discuss.

### **2. Our Witness by Living**

- ✪ What kind of lives should we be living, knowing that Judgment Day is coming? v11, 12, 14
- ✪ How is it possible to stay 'spotless' when we live in such an immoral, evil society? Discuss.
- ✪ What is one of the dangers that we may face in these days according to v16-17?
- ✪ Peter finishes this letter by saying: "But grow in the grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ." Do you think you have 'grown' in the past year? What has helped you to grow, or what do you need to do to grow?

## **Conclusion**

People around us are watching! Do we live up to what we believe? It is important that we share the message of the Gospel as ambassadors, but it needs to be matched by our words and life. Yes, at times we will make mistakes, but as we grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus, our lives will gradually change.

Peter closes his letter with these words: "To him be glory both now and forever!" To which we all say, "Amen".