

since I look for the coming of the Lord, but am keenly aware that we need to be alert and efficient for Him for our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed as Paul informed the church at Rome many years ago. We do not, therefore, live in fear but we do live in a state of awareness as to what will serve the Lord best and what will not.

The Ministry:

- 1. That we may forget our provision in Christ**
- 2. That we may neglect the Word of God**
- 3. That we may be misled**
- 4. That we may become complacent and/or lethargic**
- 5. That we may fail in our purpose**

The Idea:

Basically we will look at each of the dangers as Peter draws our attention to them and we will see what the antidote is to each. The hope is that we will be more aware of where our difficulties may lie and then, with that measure of information, we will be vibrant witnesses for the truth of the Lord. We will not have any difficulty in seeing many defections in our day and we will also be able to see how the Lord gives the strength and grace to those who look to Him...and He enables them to be more than conquerors in this struggle:

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MESSAGE # 1: THE DANGER OF FORGETTING OUR PROVISION IN THE LORD JESUS CHRIST

Biblical passage: 2 Peter 1:1-12

I. Introduction to the Study:

Without doubt, the key to a fruitful life is to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and to live for Him. It is promised in John 15 and witnessed throughout the New Testament and the long records of church history that follow. But one of the ongoing dangers in this dispensation is that those who are the Lord's will forget the great provision He has made for them and live in spiritual impoverishment. The danger is that we will forget or ignore it while the answer is that we should remember it and carry in our minds the truth of what the Lord has granted to us in this gracious salvation. If we forget we are pragmatically defeated and