Ignorance Is Not Bliss

Tony Mauck · 2 Peter 3:1–14

INTRODUCTION

- I use all of those illustrations to tell you that in regard to spiritual things, ignorance is not bliss.
- And he says in verse 8, don't be ignorant. Do not let this one fact escape your notice.
- This globe that we live on is most definitely not permanent, no matter what any scoffer says.

1 Be Advised of the Vain and Empty Course

Psalm 39; Proverbs 12:11

- Apart from Christ, you are without hope and without God in the world.
- Turn from these vain things and serve a living and true God.
- Lord, make me to know how transient I am. How short-lived I am. My days are as hand breaths.
- But he who pursues vain things lacks sense.
- If we reject God, the things that we pursue lack sense.

2 Surpassing Benefits of a Holy Spirit Guided Course

Ephesians 5:14–16

- We're trying to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. And we need to walk in light, and that involves goodness and righteousness and truth.
- And we need to walk wisely, not as fools, making the most of our time because the days are evil.
- Awake, sleeper, and rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.
- You need to wake up to these spiritual realities.

3 Ignorance Exposed on the Day of Judgment

Psalm 16:11; Romans 2:6; Hosea 4:1

- A day that is inescapable. There's a lot of things I'm not sure about, but I'm sure about this.
- In his presence is fullness of joy, and in his right hand are pleasures forever.
- It is the eternal exclusion from all that is good. That's why it's hell. God is not there.
- My people are destroyed for a lack of knowledge. There is no knowledge of God in the land.
- True knowledge of God is more than possessing certain facts.
- It means to have attitudes and a life that is molded in accord with God's will.

4 Knowledge Equates to Eternal Life

John 17:3; 1 Corinthians 13:12–13; 2 Peter 1:5–11

- And this is eternal life. That they might know you. The only true God. And Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.
- Eternal life points not just to duration, but quality.

- As long as you know him, knowing him is eternal life.
- It's knowing those facts and then therefore molding your life after God's will.
- Be all the more diligent to make certain about his calling and choosing you. For as long as you practice these things, you will never stumble.
- And if these qualities are yours and are increasing, that is eternal life. That is knowing God and knowing his son.

THE CHALLENGE

These things we need to know. Peter wanted us to know them as he departed from this earth. Won't you embrace them?

MY NOTES