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<p>Chapter 3</p> <p>(1) This second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you; in <i>both</i> which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance:</p> <p>(2) That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Saviour:</p> <p>(3) Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts,</p> <p>(4) And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as <i>they were</i> from the beginning of the creation.</p> <p>(5) For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:</p> <p>(6) Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished:</p> <p>(7) But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.</p> <p>(8) But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.</p> <p>(9) The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.</p>	<p>Chapter 3</p> <p>(1) This second letter, beloved, I now write to you; in <i>both letters</i> I am stirring up your pure minds to be reminded:</p> <p>(2) That you may be reminded of the words which were spoken beforehand by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us apostles of the Lord and Savior:</p> <p>(3) Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts,</p> <p>(4) And saying, Where is the promise of His coming? Because since the forefathers fell asleep, all things continue as <i>they were</i> from the beginning of the creation.</p> <p>(5) Because they are willfully ignorant of this, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:</p> <p>(6) By which the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished {in the flood}^a:</p> <p>(7) But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved for fire against the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men.</p> <p>(8) But, beloved, do not be ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.</p> <p>(9) The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some men count slackness; but is patient towards us, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance^b.</p>

3:6a - Gen. 6 - 8

3:9b - this verse gives us the reason why the Lord has not already come back! He is patient and is giving people of the world time to repent because it is not His will that any should perish. If anyone does go to hell (which is prepared for the devil and his angels [Mat. 25:41]) it is because they have chosen to reject God's Son.

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<p>(10) But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.</p> <p>(11) <i>Seeing</i> then <i>that</i> all these things shall be dissolved, what manner <i>of persons</i> ought ye to be in <i>all</i> holy conversation and godliness,</p> <p>(12) Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?</p> <p>(13) Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.</p> <p>(14) Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.</p> <p>(15) And account <i>that</i> the longsuffering of our Lord <i>is</i> salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you;</p> <p>(16) As also in all <i>his</i> epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as <i>they do</i> also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction.</p> <p>(17) Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know <i>these things</i> before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own stedfastness.</p> <p>(18) But grow in grace, and <i>in</i> the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him <i>be</i> glory both now and for ever. Amen.</p>	<p>(10) But the day of the Lord^c will come as a thief in the night^d; in which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are in it shall be burned up.</p> <p>(11) <i>Since</i> all these things shall be dissolved, what manner <i>of persons</i> ought you to be in <i>all</i> holy conversation and godliness,</p> <p>(12) Looking for and expecting the coming of the day of God^e, in which the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?</p> <p>(13) Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for a new heavens and a new earth^e, in which righteousness lives.</p> <p>(14) Therefore, beloved, since you look forward to such things, be diligent that you may be found by Him in peace, without spot, and blameless.</p> <p>(15) And count the patience of our Lord as salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given to him has written to you;</p> <p>(16) As also in all <i>his</i> letters, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to understand, which those who are uneducated and unstable twist, as <i>they do</i> also the other scriptures, to their own destruction.</p> <p>(17) You therefore, beloved, since you know <i>these things</i> beforehand, beware lest you also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own steadfastness.</p> <p>(18) But grow in grace, and <i>in</i> the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him <i>be</i> glory both now and forever. Amen {Let it be}.</p>

3:10,12 c - the day of the Lord, the day of God - Armageddon - See note on I Cor. 1:8
3:10d - Mat. 24:43
3:13e - new heavens and new earth - Is. 65:17; 66:22