

Sermon Study Guide –

2 Peter 2:4-9

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Title: **“The God of Wrath and Rescue”**

Sermon Idea: We can trust God to judge rightly.

Key Points:

1. In the past, God judged the ungodly and rescued the righteous. (vv.4-9)
2. In the present (and future), God will judge the ungodly and rescue the righteous. (v.9)

What do I want people to know? I want people to know that God’s judgment is sure and serious. They need to get right with God through faith in Christ. He can also be trusted to strengthen the godly when they go through trials.

What do I want people to do? I want people to (1) receive Christ if they haven’t, (2) avoid throwing away historic Christian beliefs, (3) pray for those who don’t know Jesus.

What need am I addressing? I am addressing the need for experiencing God’s salvation in His judgment.

Recommended Resources: *“Strange New World,”* Carl Trueman; *“Another Gospel,”* Alisa Childers

Intro: Do you know someone who has walked away from Christianity? Why? What caused them to reject the faith?

Dig:

Day 1: 2 Peter 2:4-9 describes the judgment and rescue of God. Describe God’s judgment in these stories. Why is He just in judging? Who does He rescue? Why?

Day 2: Skim Genesis 19. Describe God’s judgment here. Who is destroyed? Why? Who is rescued? Why? What does this tell us about God?

Day 3: Romans 1:18-32 lays out God’s wrath against sinful humanity. Why is humanity guilty? Why is it appropriate for God to pour out His wrath on humanity?

Day 4: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 discusses God’s rescuing of humanity. What did God do? Why was this the only means for our rescue?

Day 5: Revelation 20:12-21:4 describes the final judgment of God. Why is it important to remember Christ’s coming and God’s ultimate judgment?

Apply:

- Accept Christ as your Lord and Savior if you haven’t.
- Study the Bible deeply; study the theology of historic Christianity to solidify your faith.
- Pray for those you know who are far from God and need to be rescued.

Pray: Dear Father God, thank You for rescuing me from both present trials and temptations and future judgment. You are both HOLY and LOVING! You are the God of wrath and rescue! Thank You God that I can trust that Your judgments are true and right in every way and with everyone. In Jesus’ name, amen.
