

Sermon Notes – 10.19.2025

Jesus Was Foreknown from All Eternity, But He Appeared In these Times for You

1 Peter 1:20-25 For He was foreknown before the foundation of the world, but has appeared in these last times for the sake of you **21** who through Him are believers in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God. **22** Since you have in obedience to the truth purified your souls for a sincere love of the brethren, fervently love one another from the heart, **23** for you have been born again not of seed which is perishable but imperishable, that is, through the living and enduring word of God. **24** For, "ALL FLESH IS LIKE GRASS, AND ALL ITS GLORY LIKE THE FLOWER OF GRASS. THE GRASS WITHERS, AND THE FLOWER FALLS OFF, **25** BUT THE WORD OF THE LORD ENDURES FOREVER." And this is the word which was preached to you.

Shall stand for ever - Amidst all revolutions among men, his promise shall be firm. It shall not only live amidst the changes of dynasties, and the revolutions of empires, but it shall continue forever and ever. This is designed for support to an afflicted and oppressed people; and it must have been to them, in their bondage, the source of high consolation. But it is equally so now. Amidst all the changes on earth; the revolutions of empires; the vanishing of kingdoms, God is the same, and his promises are unfailing. ... He presides in all these revolutions and sits calm and unmoved amidst all these changes. Not one of his promises shall fail; and at the end of all the changes which human things shall undergo, Yahweh, the God of his people, will be the same.

~ Albert Barnes Re: Isaiah 40:8

255 Verses in the Bible Contain the Words, "the Word of the Lord"

Abraham Believed the Word of the Lord

Genesis 15:6 "Then he believed in the LORD; and He reckoned it to him as righteousness."

1 Corinthians 1:21 For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not *come to know God*, God was well-pleased through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe.

Moses Obeyed the Word of the Lord and Taught the People to Do the Same

Samuel, Elijah and All the Prophets Heard the Word of the Lord

The Disciples Heard "The Word of the Lord" as Jesus Spoke to Them

Peter Remembered "The Word of the Lord" Well – And, It Is What It Is

Luke 22:61 The Lord turned and looked at Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how He had told him, "Before a rooster crows today, you will deny Me three times." **62** And he went out and wept bitterly.

Acts 11:16 "...I remembered the word of the Lord, how He used to say, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.'

Jesus is the Word

John 1:1-3 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being.

Matthew 24:35 "Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away."

The Gospel Message is The Word of the Lord in the New Testament Scriptures

Acts 8:25 So, when they had solemnly testified and spoken the word of the Lord, they started back to Jerusalem, and were preaching the gospel to many villages of the Samaritans.

Acts 12:24 But the word of the Lord continued to grow and to be multiplied.

Matthew 4:4 But He answered and said, "It is written, 'MAN SHALL NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE, BUT ON EVERY WORD THAT PROCEEDS OUT OF THE MOUTH OF GOD.'"

John 6:63 "It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing; the words that I have spoken to you are spirit and are life.

Peter is Showing Us Something Very Personal, " has appeared in these last times for the sake of you"

- Be mindful that Peter heard the Word of the Lord right from Jesus' own lips
- Peter heard, "... behold, a voice out of the cloud said, "This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well-pleased; listen to Him!" **Matthew 17:5**

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