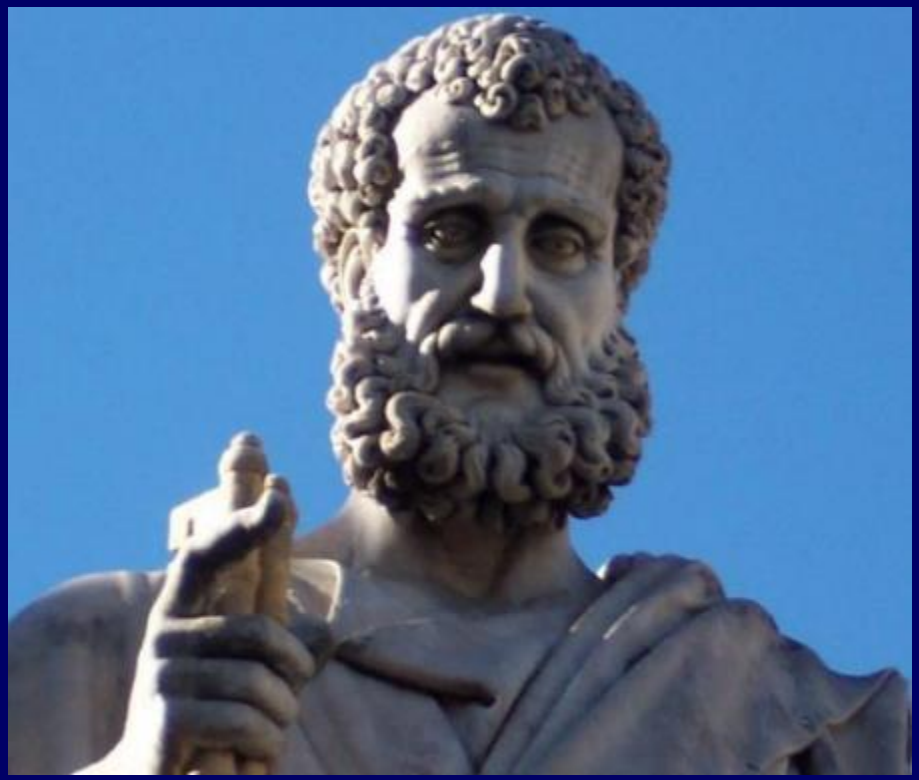
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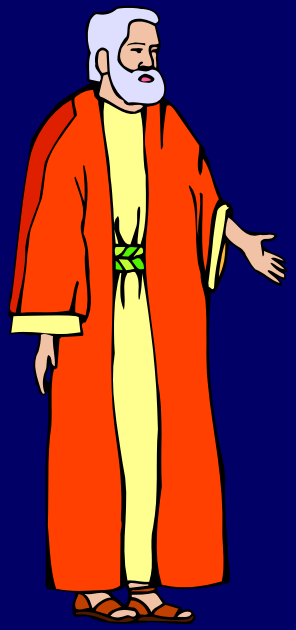
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INTRODUCTORY MATTERS

- Authorship: **Peter**
- Biography: **Gospels & Acts**
- Date: **A.D. 64**
- Recipients: **Regenerated, Asia Minor, Hebrews**
- Place of writing: **Babylon**
- Occasion for writing: **Incipient Gnosticism**
- Purpose: **Insulation from false teaching**
- Structure: **3 parts**
- Message: **Protection from false teachers**
- Unique characteristics: **Knowledge**

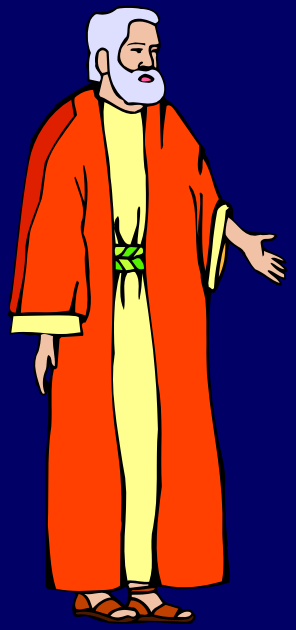


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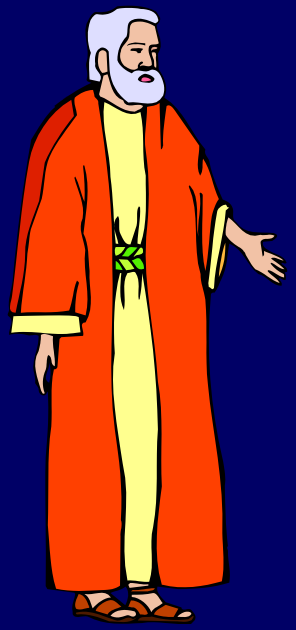
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Chapter 1



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- Call to Growth (1:3-11)
- Purpose Statement (1:12-15)
- Coming kingdom (1:16-21)

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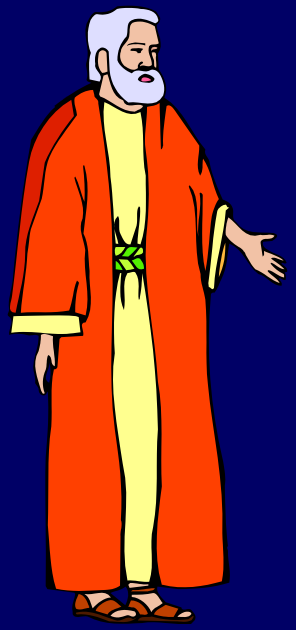
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2 PETER 2 OUTLINE

1. Predicted arrival (2:1a)
2. Devices (2:1b-3)
3. Doom (2:4-9)
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6. Regression (2:20-22)



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RELEVANCE OF THE FUTURE

2 Peter 3:3-15



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DOCTRINE OF FALSE TEACHERS

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  - Scoffing
  - Future tense



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  - Uniformitarianism/ naturalism



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HISTORY
V. 5-7

- Creation (5)
- Flood (6-7)
  - God will judge again via fire



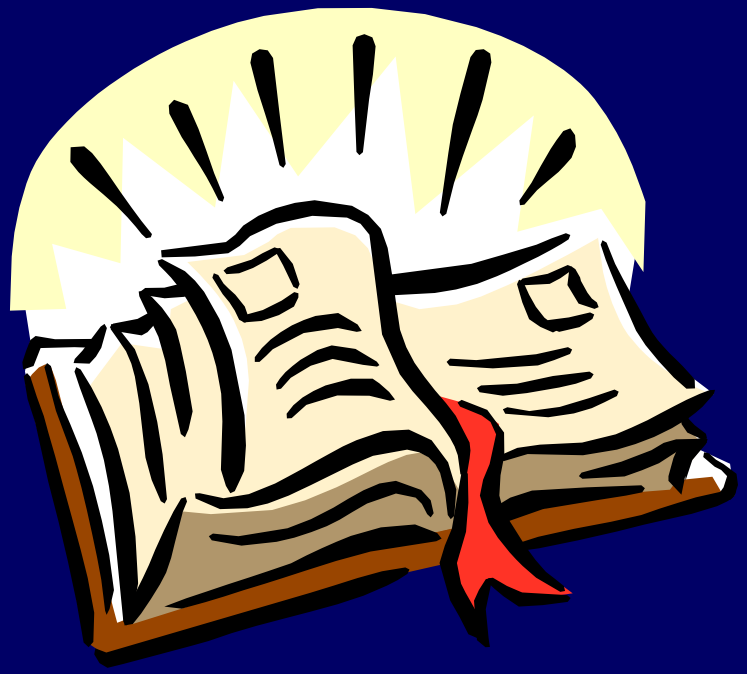
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SCRIPTURE
V. 8



- God's timing is not the same as ours

Romans 8:29–30

29 For those whom He foreknew, He also predestined *to become* conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brethren; 30 and these whom He predestined, He also called; and these whom He called, He also justified; and these whom He justified, He also glorified.

Where's sanctification?

Jude 14–15

14 It was also about these men that Enoch, in the seventh generation from Adam, prophesied, saying, “Behold, the Lord **came** with many thousands of His holy ones, 15 to execute judgment upon all, and to convict all the ungodly of all their ungodly deeds which they have done in an ungodly way, and of all the harsh things which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him.”



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GOD'S CHARACTER
V. 9

- Delay ≠ no 2nd Coming
- Delay = patience



Genesis 6:1-4

“[1] Now it came about, when men began to multiply on the face of the land, and daughters were born to them, [2] that the sons of God saw that the daughters of men were beautiful; and they took wives for themselves, whomever they chose. [3] Then the Lord said, ‘My Spirit shall not strive with man forever, because he also is flesh; nevertheless his days shall be **one hundred and twenty years**.’ [4] The Nephilim were on the earth in those days, and also afterward, when the sons of God came in to the daughters of men, and they bore children to them. Those were the mighty men who were of old, men of renown.”



1 Peter 3:19-20

“[19] in which also He went and made proclamation the spirits *now* in prison, [20] who once were disobedient, when the **patience** of God kept waiting in the days of Noah, during the construction of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through *the* water.”





John Calvin

Institutes of the Christian Religion, Vol. 3, (Orlando, Signalman Publishing, from the 4th edition, 2009, Kindle edition), Chapter 21, section 5, Kindle location 17221.

Calvin said: “By predestination we mean the eternal decree of God, by which he determined with himself whatever he wished to happen with regard to every man. All are not created on equal terms, but some are preordained to eternal life, others to eternal damnation; and, accordingly, as each has been created for one or other of these ends, we say that he has been predestinated to life or to death.”



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Calvin said: “We say, then, that Scripture clearly proves this much, that God by his eternal and immutable counsel determined once for all those whom it was his pleasure one day to admit to salvation, and those whom, on the other hand, it was his pleasure to doom to destruction.”



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Institutes of the Christian Religion, Vol. 3, Chapter 23, section 5.

Calvin said: “I say with Augustine, that the Lord has created those who, as he certainly foreknow, were to go to destruction, and he did so because he so willed. Why he willed it is not ours to ask, as we cannot comprehend, nor can it become us even to raise a controversy as to the justice of the divine will. Whenever we speak of it, we are speaking of the supreme standard of justice.”



John Calvin

Institutes of the Christian Religion, Vol. 3, Chapter 23, section 6.

Calvin wrote: “Now, since the arrangement of all things is in the hand of God, since to him belongs the disposal of life and death, he arranges all things by his sovereign counsel, in such a way that individuals are born, who are doomed from the womb to certain death, and are to glorify him by their destruction.”





Lewis Sperry Chafer

vol. 7, *Systematic Theology* (Grand Rapids, MI: Kregel Publications, 1993), 265-66.

"This vital newness of mind is a part of believing, after all, and therefore it may be and is used as a ***synonym*** for believing at times (cf. Acts 17:30; 20:21; 26:20; Rom. 2:4; 2Tim. 2:25; 2 Pet. 3:9). Repentance nevertheless cannot be added to believing as a condition of salvation, because upwards of 150 passages of Scripture condition salvation upon believing only (cf. John 3:16; Acts 16:31)."

Acts 17:30-31

“30 Therefore having overlooked the times of ignorance, God is now declaring to men that all people everywhere should **repent [metanoeō]**, 31 because He has fixed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness through a Man whom He has appointed, having furnished proof to all men by raising Him from the dead.”



Three Tenses of Salvation

Phase	Justification	Sanctification	Glorification
Tense	Past	Present	Future
Saved from sin's:	Penalty	Power	Presence
Scripture	Eph 2:8-9; Titus 3:5	Philip 2:12	Rom 5:10

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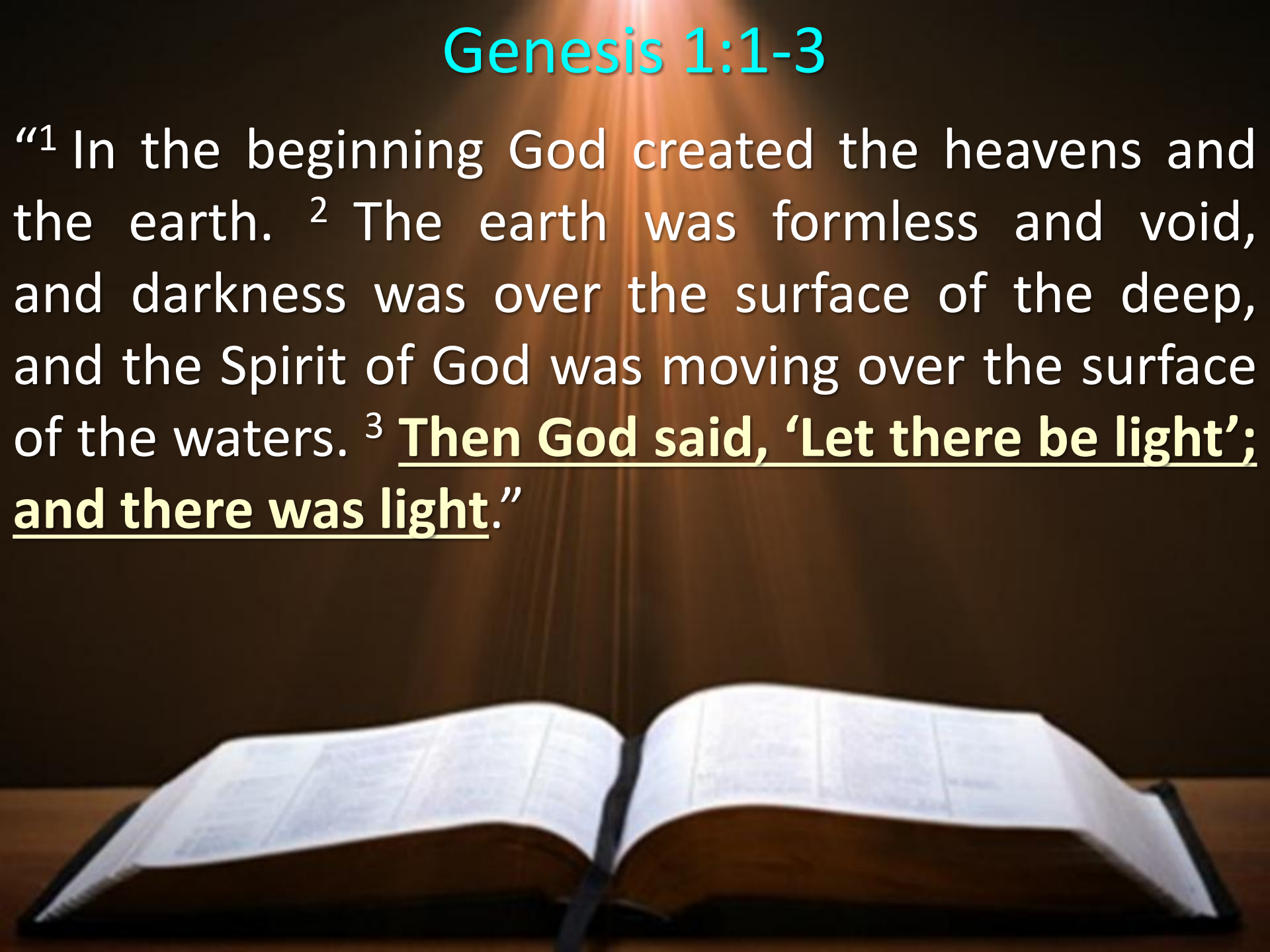


- Despite delay,
- the day will come:
- Like a thief
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TRUE GLOBAL WARMING
IS COMING TO PLANET EARTH!
2 Peter 3:10
But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, in which the heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, and the earth and its works will be burned up. (NASB)

Genesis 1:1-3

“[1] In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. [2] The earth was formless and void, and darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was moving over the surface of the waters. [3] **Then God said, ‘Let there be light’; and there was light**.”



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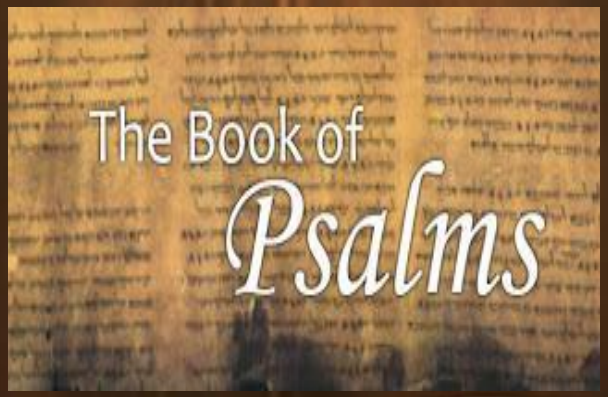
Revelation 21:1, 4

[1] Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth **passed away** [***apérchomai***], and there is no longer *any* sea…[4] and He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there will no longer be *any* death; there will no longer be *any* mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have **passed away** [***apérchomai***].



Psalm 90:2

"Before the mountains were born Or You gave birth to the earth and the world, Even from everlasting (***olam***) to everlasting (***olam***), You are God."



GOD'S PROMISE

V. 10



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1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

. . . have fallen asleep. [16] For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of *the* archangel and with the trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. [17] Then we who are alive and remain will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we shall always be with the Lord. [18] Therefore **comfort one another with these words**."



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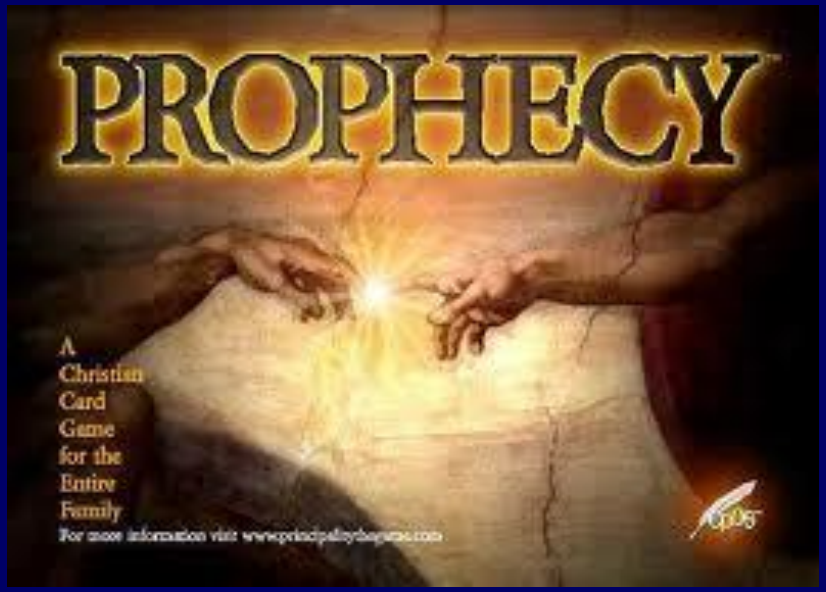
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BIBLICAL PROPHECY: IMPORTANCE

- 27% of Scripture was prophetic at the time it was written
- 2 Pet 1:19





J. Dwight Pentecost

Prophecy For Today, Page 20

"A short time ago, I took occasion to go through the New Testament to mark each reference to the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ and to observe the use made of that teaching about His coming. I was struck a new with the fact that almost without exception, when the coming of Christ is mentioned in the New Testament, it is followed by an exhortation to godliness and holy living."

2 Peter 1:19-21

“19 So we have the prophetic word made more sure,
to which you do well to pay attention as to a lamp
shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and
the morning star arises in your hearts. 20 But know
this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is a
matter of one’s own interpretation, 21 for no prophecy
was ever made by an act of human will, but
men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.”



AUTHORITY OF SCRIPTURE

V. 19



- More sure than eyewitness testimony
- World is in the Dark, Scripture is the Light
- Morning Star = Jesus

Rev. 2:28; 22:16

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V. 11-15

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Romans 11:25

"For I do not want you, brethren, to be uninformed of this mystery—so that you will not be wise in your own estimation—that a partial hardening has happened to Israel until the **fullness of the Gentiles** has come in."



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