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Shalom, and welcome to via after yisrayl A Hebrew phrase which means you shall love Israel. We hope you'll stay with us for the next 30 minutes as our teacher Dr. Baruch shares his expository teaching from the Bible. Dr. Baruch is the senior lecturer at the Zerah Avraham Institute based in Israel. Although all courses are taught in Hebrew at the institute, Dr. Baruch is pleased to share this weekly address in English. To find out more about our work in Israel. Please visit us on the web at love Israel dot o RG That's one word love Israel dot o RG. Now, here's Baroque with today's lesson.

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Peter is a different man, different that when he was when he served as a disciple during your shoeless earthly ministry, what changed him, he witness the resurrection, he spoke to the resurrected Lord. And he also was a recipient of that Holy Spirit. Therefore being filled and in dwelt with the Holy Spirit, knowing the resurrected Savior, and remembering now with a different mindset, something that he had witness, all of these things caused him to be very different. And not just different, but a better disciple, a greater servant, a precious vessel, for the purposes of God. And let me say to you this very thing, when you believe in the resurrected Messiah, when you invite Him into your life, through that gospel message, you will become filled with that same Holy Spirit. And He will dwell within you and lead you, guide you, empower you and change your life. And you are going to be on a wonderful adventure of serving God growing and maturing and likewise becoming a precious vessel for the purposes of God. Well, we began last week, a study of Second Peter, we began that first half of chapter one and now we're ready for the second half of chapter one. So I would invite you to take out your Bibles, open them up to second Peter chapter one in a moment. We're going to begin in verse 12. Now this 12th Verse begins with a double negative. Now sometimes in the Greek language, a double negative is for the purpose of emphasis, it means no, not ever. So it's strong. But other times, it is similar to in English and other languages, where it's simply turn something that is negative into that which is positive. And what am I talking about? Well, look at verse 12. Second Peter chapter one, verse 12, Word says, and Peter speaking, and he says, Therefore,

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I am always prepared. Literally, it says, I am not unprepared, so not being unprepared, means to be prepared, always. And what is he prepared always for? Or he says, To remind you concerning these things, what things? Well, the things that he concluded with last week, he talked about a call that call that was upon his life. And if you have accepted that gospel, also, there's a call upon your life, God wants you to serve Him in a specific way. So he speaks about that call and election, what's election, that God has chosen you? How has he chose you? Through the gospel? You become elected through your acceptance of that gospel message. And when you do, what else does he say at the end of our study last week, that he is going to provide a sure entrance into the kingdom of God, what does that give you? It gives you assurance, you know that there are Kingdom promises waiting for you, and that you are going to experience a kingdom, eternity and therefore you should have great gratitude in your heart and that gratitude should impact you, what you do the decisions you make, and you will live because of this gratitude sacrificially. And that's what Peter is doing. He is not investing in himself, but he's investing in others, which is going to produce Eternal Kingdom dividends for him. So he says, Therefore, always been prepared. I am making mention, I'm reminding you concerning these things. And he says, just as knowing meaning, you know these things, in fact, you had been, he says, establish by these things. And that word for being establish means to be strong. So you know, and you are strong in this present truth. What truth is he talking about? Well, we're going to see that Peter is going to focus in on a few things, these truths that are impacting him, and should also impact us. Look at the next verse, verse 13. But I consider right now this word right means righteous. Now I shared with you that the word righteous relates to the glory of God. So he says, not just I consider it right or proper or correct. But he says, what I'm going to share with you has to do with righteousness. And the outcome of righteousness is the manifestation of the glory of God. And that's what our life should always be about. That's what we want to do, living away, speaking away, thinking away, that manifests the glory of God. So he says, I consider, alright, as long as I'm in this, and the next word is the word tent or tabernacle. It speaks of a structure. Now, you may not know this, but this Greek word is where we get the English word skin. Now he's speaking about a structure, a dwelling place, but in the proper understanding of the contexts, he's speaking about his body. So he says, As long as I am still in this body, what's he going to do? He's speaking about a commitment, his life's commitment. And what is that? To stir you up in this remembering? Now, over and over, he's saying, You need to remember these things. They're foundational, in order that you to live a god pleasing life. Peter is fully committed. His life reflects these things. And he knows that if they're going to live a praiseworthy life, a God honoring life, a god glorifying life, that these things need to be foundational for them. And therefore, as long as he's alive, he is going to stir these things up making mention of them, to these individuals. Look now to verse 14.

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Knowing that quickly, is the putting off of my tent, my tabernacle, meaning my body, what's he speaking about? Knowing very soon, is what he's saying that I'm going to put off this tent, leave the skin, that is I'm going to die. Now, how does he know this? Well, it's not just some feeling that he has seen, we ought not be ruled by feeling or experience. But he says, he knows that ye will keep reading just as also our Lord Messiah shoe that he has clearly made known to me. Now, this is a word of making something evident. So Messiah himself has made evident to Peter, that soon quickly, he is going to die. Now think about that. What if you knew that very, very soon, your life was coming to an end. See, a lot of people Woe is me. I am so sad. I'm going to miss this world. Well, I'm not going to miss this world. And what

Peter is saying is this. See when I think about what Peter has said, in light of the fact that he knows that he's going to die soon, you know, comes into my mind. Moses, Moshe Rabbeinu, as he's alluded to, in Judaism, now Moses when he knew that he was going to die, that God did not receive that that besieging of Moses to enter into the land, that God would forgive him when he knew that he was going to die, that God was serious, it wasn't going to change. He was not going to cross the Jordan River. Then what did Moses do? Moses began to invest his life into Yahushua. That is Joshua, the son of noon, because he knew that Joshua was the next leader. So he didn't bemoan his death. But he made the end of his life meaningful, by preparing that next generation, that next leader, by causing Joshua, to be prepared for his leadership that he was going to take over the position of Moses, and bring the people into the land and be the leader when they inherited the land of Canaan. And a portion of that full promised land on the east side of the Jordan, going all the way down to that river of Egypt, a very important designation of that allotment of land that God promised first and foremost to Abraham. So he says, it's clear to me Messiah made evident to me that I'm going to die, verse 15, what is he going to do? But I will be diligent. Now it's a word for urgency. Sometimes it can be translated to make haste, but that a careless haste, but a purposeful urgency, and a diligence to accomplish something, and this is what he says in verse 15. But I will be diligent, also, every time that you have after my departure, so he says, Every time that you have an opportunity, after my departure, Peter's going to still want them to be influenced by what he says this, this reminding, making mention of these things. So he says to make mention, even after my departure, he is going to prepare others, to disciple to remind to encourage to exhort these individuals. In the same foundational truths. This is what he's saying. Why? Now, verse 16, for not, and that word not is emphatic. It speaks about the word know, in a very much an emphasize state of being. And why is he doing this? Well look at what he says for not cleverly devised myths. And that's literally what the word is in Greek. It's where we get the English word, myth or a legend. So he says here, for not cleverly devised myths that you have followed after that we have made known to you we didn't make known to you these myths, these legends. Now, as I hope you know, I live in Israel. And I spent some significant time going to lectures from rabbis in Orthodox Judaism. And all too often I hear stories from what's known as the Midrash brava and other rabbinical writings, that are nothing more than legends, rabbinical folklore, fairy tale myths that are not based upon truth, they get people excited, but they are indeed cleverly done that design myth that doesn't interest us what should interest us? Truth. And this is what Peter is saying. We did not follow after and make known to you these cleverly designed fairy tales. But he says we make known to you, our Lord Messiah. Sure. And how does he make known? We'll notice what he says, both in power and coming. Now it speaks of something very foundational and that is this. God has visited his people he has come taken on human flesh And he's come with power. That's one of the reasons why we see all of these miracles. It demonstrates the power of God that Emanuel well remember that name Emmanuel, God with us, has come, he has visited his people. So he says, you know, we make known to you, our Lord, Messiah, Jesus, who has come with power. And he goes on, and he tells us here, but not through devising fairy tales. But we have become I witnesses of the majesty. And let's get this right, the majesty of that one. Now, I emphasize that because it doesn't say His Majesty. It says, The majesty of that one. What's the difference? Well, that one is His Majesty, you show His Majesty, which is also the majesty of God the Father, we believe in the Trinity God has manifested Himself in three distinct persons, God, the Father, God, the Son, God, the Holy Spirit, but they share this same divinity, this same majesty. And when it says that one, that term that one is as well and fatik. So it wants to emphasize that you show who came badly into this world has the majesty

the divine majesty, that he is the very Son of God, and this is going to be confirmed for us in a moment. Why do I say that? Verse 17, for receiving who received your shoe, the subject here is still Messiah, for receiving from God the Father, what did he receive? He received honor and glory. Now, in one sense, and remember what Paul says, You should not equate equality with God something to grasp something that he had to do to have, he is eternally God, equal, and divinity, and glory, honor all of these things. But what we're seeing here is what the prophets spoke of specifically, that there would be coming to time when Messiah, the Son of God, we also know Him as the Son of Man, that he would inherit, honor, and glory, and power, and a kingdom. And now this is being attested to by Peter in remember what I said earlier, and something that he witness, he just said, we're not testifying to you concerning some cleverly devised myths and fables and folklore, but he's going to tell them that he is an eyewitness of this, this power that has come into this world through Messiah. And what's the speaking of, we'll look again at verse 17.

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For receiving from God, the Father, honor and glory when, when a voice was brought to him, and such a voice that it was by the the majestic glory, now that majestic glory is a reference to the majesty of God. And notice what he's going to talk about, again, in verse 17, towards the end where it says, This is My beloved Son, in whom I, and notice most Bibles say, well, please, it's the word *Dotel* and the word *you* which means and you means good. In Greek, he says that he thought, well, he considered it good when he says, This is My beloved Son. Now, what are we speaking about? Well, just a few more words, it'll be very evident what he's speaking about, when he talked about this, this voice that he heard being brought, saying, This is My beloved Son, in whom I think well, or well, please, verse 18. And this voice we heard from heaven having been brought, when what when he says, We were with him being with him, were in the hole. Holy Mountain, what mountain, the Mount of Transfiguration. And what happened here, it's so important that we understand it. See, you and I are called to reflect the glory of God, meaning his glory through obedience can be reflected through us. But it doesn't originate or a myth from us. It's a reflection. But with Messiah, he did not reflect that very glory, that divine glory that Divine Majesty emitted from him. It didn't shine upon him, and he reflected, but it came from him, he is a source of this majestic glory. Why? Because he is the Lord God Almighty with us, that beloved Son of God, the Father, God, the Son, this is what we're being taught in this passage, verse 19.

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And we have and now it's speaking about having been confirmed, having been made certain, something that is assured of, so he says, verse 19, and we being confirmed of what being a shirt being made certain of, he says, the prophetic word, which you do well, to take heed of. Now, that's a warning. Prophecy, we need to take heed of that meeting, we need to literally hold on to that's what that word means to take heed of. So we would do well to take heed of that prophetic word, as a lamp that shines in a dark place. Until and now it's going to be a reference to the kingdom until this day that that Don's and the Morningstar goes up, who's the Morningstar, you're sure that Morningstar comes up into your heart? Now, what is that speaking of? It's when we are going to be testifying to the very presence of Messiah with us. It's a reference to what he ended with last week when he spoke about that entrance into the kingdom of God. So take heed of this truth, this prophetic word that speaks about one day, that morning start going up into our hearts, that is us knowing him in a perfect way, how, in a kingdom way. Verse 20, this first knowing, and I'm translating it literally according to the order. He says this, again,

emphatic, this is the main thing, the primary thing, this first that's why it's primary, this first knowing that all prophetic scripture, all the prophetic writing, one's own interpretation. It is not. We don't have prophecy, or any scripture, for our own personal benefit, based upon how we see it. That's not work. Prophecy originates from our desires, our wants, our needs, our situations. What does it say? We'll just keep reading, verse 21, or last verse, For not the will of man is brought ever prophesy want to set it again? Again, I'm translating this very literally. For naught, we could say by the will of man is brought ever prophecy. Now what does it tell us? One of the big takeaways is this. Prophetic truth is never going to agree with my will. It's just not

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prophetic truth is revealed and it changes my will. Prophetic truth leads me to biblical truth. Of course prophecy is in the Scripture, but it brings me to a biblical understanding of who I am in Messiah. And that's very different than who I was. I was lost. I was amazed to hear someone speak about discipleship doesn't change us. It reveals to us who we always were, that my friend is heresy, being discipled based upon the truth of God, embracing prophetic truth, not of my own interpretation or my own will. It causes me to be a new creation, all these old things what I was these things passed away. So it doesn't reveal who I always was. No, it reveals a new me why, if anyone is in Christ, this one is a new creation. So we need to be careful. There's a lot of false teaching going around. Let's conclude. For it not by the will of man is brought ever prophecy, but by WHO, but through the Holy Spirit. It is brought prophesy comes by means of the Holy Spirit. And again, what is one of the primary purposes of the Holy Spirit to bring order God's order, which is a different order than my order, a new order, an order that is rooted in the purposes of God, God's redemptive work bringing about a change, a kingdom change in my life? And how is God's prophetic truth brought through the Holy Spirit? Who this Holy Spirit what does he do? Well, he brings about prophetic truth through notice what it says, holy men of God, holy men of God, who did want, they spoke, the Holy Spirit gave them utterance so that they could reveal prophetic truth. And let's just in the few moments that we have left, affirm something, I am desperately in need of prophetic truth, and prophetic truth is not going to agree with my will. That's why my will needs to be crucified, dead and buried. And I need to receive this new will God's Will as the foundation of my life and the purpose for which I live. So prophecy brings about biblical prophecy, scriptural prophecy brings about a glorious change, that now as the people of God, we can reflect it doesn't emit from us. We're not God. That's heresy. But the word of God causes us to reflect the glory of God when we live in the righteousness of God. That is indeed the good news of Messiah show.

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