

Life Group Notes

Sunday 23rd January 2022

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Title: Sought by prophets, Craved by angels

Passage: 1 Peter 1:10-12

¹⁰ Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied about the grace that was to be yours searched and inquired carefully,

This SALVATION was carefully searched by Prophets..... they spoke of the grace that is to come. The Prophets were under the dispensation of the law, an eye for an eye, etc. However, despite being in this dispensation, God revealed to the prophets the dispensation of grace, where salvation will no longer be by keeping the law but by accepting the person of Jesus and the work, he has obtained for us.

¹¹ inquiring what person or time the Spirit of Christ in them was indicating when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the subsequent glories.

The prophets wanted to know the time for which these prophecies will be fulfilled..... the sufferings of the messiah and the glories that will be revealed. See the pattern, Jesus suffered then there was glory.

Hebrews 12:2 says, *“looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, **who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.**”*

For the joy set before him, he endured the cross. I believe this is an encouragement to us, there is a glory set before us; this should encourage, inspire, and motivate us to endure whatever sufferings we face. There is a glory coming (here and now) and there is a glory to be revealed (there and then in the future). If you are currently suffering, living with a pain, illness, facing a difficulty in your personal life, etc. endure fixing your eyes on Jesus.

2 Cor 4: ¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day ¹⁷For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal. (ESV)

¹² It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in the things that have now been announced to you through those who preached the good news to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels long to look. (ESV)

The message of the gospel preached is so good that angels long, crave, and eagerly watch. The best thing that can happen to us is the salvation of our souls when we accept the gospel – the Good news.

Questions:

1. What part of the sermon ministered to you?
2. Do glory always come after suffering?
3. Why did prophets searched, and angels craved for what Jesus obtained for us?
4. Why do we sometimes not value the salvation we have received?

