These Words Are from God!

Trust your Bible as God's genuine WORD 2 Peter 1:19-21 (part two) Chris Mueller 1-05-2020

Introduction:

#1 FBC reading plan #2 One paragraph per day with A.C.T.S. #3 Memorize promises #4 Read a NT book once each day for a month #5 Pick a sermon series and listen to and from work

2 Peter 2:19-21 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. But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

#1 God's written Word is to be the most TRUSTED 19a

Romans 10:17 So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ. John 17:17 Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth.

#2 God's written Word is the most DEPENDABLE 19b

#3 God's written Word is recorded _____

1st Develop

20a But know this first of all

about your Bible being from God

2nd The BIBLE is not by people (especially false teachers)

20b that no prophecy of Scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation

Jeremiah 23:16 Thus says the LORD of hosts, "Do not listen to the words of the prophets who are prophesying to you. They are leading you into futility; They speak a vision of their own imagination, not from the mouth of the LORD."

3rd The BIBLE is not by people

21a for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will

1 Peter 1:10-11 As to this salvation, the prophets who prophesied of the grace that would come to you made careful searches and inquiries, seeking to know what person or time the Spirit of Christ within them was indicating as He predicted the sufferings of Christ and the glories to follow.

4th The BIBLE is God's Word

through His chosen men

21b but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God

Acts 27:15 When the ship was caught in it and could not face the wind, we gave way to it and let ourselves be driven along.

2 Samuel 23:2 The Spirit of the Lord spoke by me, and His word was on my tongue. **Acts 28:25b** The Holy Spirit rightly spoke through Isaiah the prophet to your fathers.

Jeremiah 1:4 The word of the Lord came to me saying...

1 Corinthians 2:10 For to us God revealed them through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches all things, even the depths of God.

Titus 1:2b God...cannot lie.

Acts 24:14b I do serve the God of our fathers, believing everything that is in accordance with the Law and that is written in the Prophets.

TAKE HOME:

- A. Seek only the author's _____ meaning of the BIBLE
- B. Develop an _____ view of your BIBLE

Develop a HIGH view

Develop a PURPOSEFUL view

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Develop a REDEMPTIVE view

Develop a DOCTRINAL view The APOCRAPHA

The KING JAMES VERSION

C. Take steps to live _____ upon the BIBLE

James 1:23-25 For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks at his natural face in a mirror; for once he has looked at himself and gone away, he has immediately forgotten what kind of person he was. But one who looks intently at the perfect law, the law of liberty, and abides by it, not having become a forgetful hearer but an effectual doer, this man will be blessed in what he does.

QUESTIONS FOR GROWTH IN CHRIST

- 1. Why do believers need to develop convictions about the BIBLE?
- 2. Why don't some believers from solid biblical churches regularly read or study the Word?
- 3. Why is it important to know that neither prophets nor apostles dreamt up or manipulated the Word of God?
- 4. Why did Peter make such a major point to declare that the Word is not sourced by men?
- 5. How did God arrange the writing of Scripture? How were the apostles involved in writing the Word, and how was God involved?
- 6. What makes the Bible so special, and why don't some believers treat the Bible as special?
- 7. What kind of steps will you take this week, this month and this year in order to be more engaged in studying and reading the Word?
- 8. Why does Peter teach these truths about God's Word in preparation for chapter two?

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