

# End-Times Prophecy Series

**FIRST THINGS FIRST**

**2 Peter 1:12-21**

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(12) Therefore, I will always be ready to remind you of these things, even though you already know them, and have been **established in the truth** which is present with you. (13) I consider it right, as long as I am in this earthly dwelling, to **stir you up by way of reminder,**

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(14) knowing that the laying aside of my earthly dwelling is imminent, as also our Lord Jesus Christ has made clear to me.

(15) And I will also be **diligent** that at any time after my departure you will be able to **call these things to mind**.

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(16) For we **did NOT** follow cleverly devised tales when we made known to you the **power** and **coming** of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were **eyewitnesses** of His **majesty**.

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(17) For when He received **honor and glory** from God the Father, such an **utterance** as this was made to Him by the Majestic Glory, “**This is My beloved Son with whom I am well-pleased**” --

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(18) and we ourselves heard this utterance made from heaven when we were with Him on the holy mountain.

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(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.

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(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**.



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  - b. FORE-TELLING of God's planned FUTURE EVENTS → *pro-phemi*

**John 14:29** (Jesus said...)

Now, I have told you **BEFORE** it happens, so when it does happen, you may **BELIEVE**.

**Isaiah 42:8-10** (8) “I AM **YAHWEH**, that is My Name; I will not give My glory to another, nor My praise to graven images. (9) Behold, the former things have come to pass, **NOW** I declare **NEW** things; **BEFORE** they spring forth I proclaim them to you. (10) Sing to **YAHWEH** a **New Song**, sing His praise from the end of the earth! ... ”

## 2. PROPHECY...?

We **MUST** PAY SPECIAL  
ATTENTION & be CAREFUL &  
don't forget → the **GREAT** Commission

**PETER** recalls the “**Mount of Transfiguration**” Incident ... with Jesus - Moses & Elijah... and uses that **EVENT** to **shore up** the **TRUTHFULNESS** of God’s Word... from His **personal** experience - his personal **TESTIMONY**

**Acts 1:4-8** (4) Gathering the disciples together, Jesus commanded them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait for what the Father had promised, “**Which,**” He said, “**you heard of from Me; (5) for John** baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

**Acts 1:4-8 (6)** So when the disciples had come together, they were asking Jesus, saying, “LORD, is it at this time You are restoring the kingdom to Israel?”



**Acts 1:4-8 (7) Jesus said to them, “It is NOT for you to know times or epochs which the Father has fixed by His own authority;**

**Acts 1:4-8 (8) BUT you will receive power**  
when the Holy Spirit has come upon you;  
and you shall be **My witnesses** both in  
Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria,  
and even to the remotest part of the  
earth.”

### 3. What's the **AIM**?

a. Helps us **FALL** in **LOVE** with  
**JESUS** more deeply

(2 Peter 1:19; 1 Tim. 1:5; 1 John 1:1-4)

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