

The Revelation of God

Introduction

- A. One of the greatest themes of the Bible is the truth that God has revealed Himself to us in the Person and Work of Jesus Christ.
- B. To know and have this truth -- is a most vital and valuable possession.
- C. The area where we need divine revelation the most has to do with our inner needs, our spiritual life, our destiny (I John 5:9-13).
- D. The promise and warning regarding God's revelation is unusually clear in the Book of Hebrews.

I. The Reality and Promise of Divine Revelation.

A. The Reality of Divine Revelation, Hebrews 1:1,2.

God, Who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, hath in these last days spoken unto us by His Son

Observation: God's speaking to us is a display of His mercy and love. We may not treat this lightly.

B. The Promise of Divine Revelation,

1. The promise of cleansing, Hebrews 1:3.

Who being the brightness of His glory, and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the Word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high.

2. The promise of freedom, Hebrews 2:14,15.

Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, He also Himself likewise took part of the same; that through death He might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; and deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.

3. The promise of sympathetic help, Hebrews 2:17,18.

Wherefore in all things it behoved Him to be made like unto His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people For in that He Himself hath suffered being tempted, He is able to succour (give sympathetic help) them that are tempted.

4. The premise of prayer, Hebrews 4:16.

Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

II. The Warning Concerning Divine Revelation.

- A. Do not fail – in neglecting God and His Word, Hebrews 2:1-3*.

Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip. For if the Word spoken by angels was steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompense of reward; how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation

- B. Do not fail – in not responding to God and His Word, Hebrews 3:7,8.

Wherefore, as the Holy Spirit saith, Today if ye will hear His voice, harden not your hearts

- C. Do not fail – in not mixing the Word of God with Faith, Hebrews 4:1,2

Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left us of entering into His rest, any of you should seem to come short of it. For unto us was the Gospel preached, as well as unto them; but the Word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard it.

- D. Do not fail – in pretending before God and His Word, Hebrews 4:13

Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in His sight; but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of Him with Whom we have to do.

- E. Do not fail – in falling away from the truth of God and His Word, Hebrews 6:4-6.

For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Spirit, and have tasted the good Word of God, and the powers of the world to come, if they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put Him to an open shame.

- F. Do not fail-- in refusing Him that has spoken, Hebrews 12:25.

See that ye refuse not Him that speaketh

Conclusion:

- A. The revelation of God is a fact – the promises are valid and the warnings are not merely good advice.
- B. To honor God and receive His grace – we must respond to through His Word – and make a practical application in our own lives.

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