

NEW YEARS EVE 1999

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

"The Dawn of the Third Millenium"

THE THEME OF THIS SERIES:

2 Peter 3:8

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THE TOPICAL SUBJECT REFERENCE:

Prophecy, The Millennium

INTRODUCTION:

2 Pet 3:3-8

knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own intrest, 4 and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation." 5 For this they willfully forget: that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of water and in the water, 6 by which the world that then existed, perished, being flooded with water. 7 But the heavens and the earth which are now kept in place by the same word, are reserved for fire until the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men. **8 But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.**

Time is a Relative Thing

By which we mark the events of our lives and what becomes history

When I was a Child

The School Year Seemed to Take Years to Pass

Yet Summer Vacation

Seemed to Over Before It Ever Really Started

Now That I'm Older

Everything Seems to Flying By so Quickly, at Break Neck Speeds

“...whereas you do not know what will happen tomorrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away.”

James 4:14b

The Longer You Live,

The Greater Respect You Have For This Thing Called Time

And it is a thing – a physical property of the created universe and
With The Passing of Time, Time Itself Becomes More Valuable Because by the
Moment, We Posses Less and Less of It....
With Each Passing Day, Hour and Minute

Eph 5:16

redeeming the time, because the days are evil.

1.) The Times Have Been Ordained

King Solomon Wrote Of God's Great Vantage Point from Which He Rules

Ecc1 3:14-15

I know that everything God does will endure forever; nothing can be added to it and nothing taken from it. God does it so that men will revere him. Whatever is has already been, and what will be has been before; and God will call the past to account.

Isa 46:9-10

Remember the former things of old, for I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like Me, 10 Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times things that are not yet done, saying, 'My counsel shall stand, and I will do all My pleasure.'

Isa 41:4

"Who has performed and accomplished {it,} calling forth the generations from the beginning? I, the LORD, am the first, and with the last. I am He."

In Every Age God has had His Champions of the Faith

From Adam Came Seth, Enoch, Noah, Abraham, Isacc, Jacob, Joseph, Moses, Joshua, Deborah, Barak, Gideon, Ruth, Samuel, David, Solomon, Eligah, Joel, Isaiah, Jeremaih, Nehemaih and Malachi.... Jesus !!! The Apostel's and the Disciples – The Augustine's, Luther's and Westley's, the Bonnhoffer's and Spurgeon's the Llyod-Jones...

I Refuse to Believe That God is Done Writing History

Never before in church history has there been a founder of a movement, not a denomination, who has seen, during his active life time not only one of America's largest churches established, but from him flow forth some one thousand churches around the world - - in just 35 years

One very unique Pastor-Teacher Chuck Smith...
Who Already has been gone down in church history

But What About You and Me

Esther 4:14

"...And who knows but that you have come to a royal position for such a time as this?"

1 Pet 2:3-5

now that you have tasted that the Lord is good. As you come to him, the living Stone-- rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him-- 5 you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

I Think About the Youth - *Challenging!*

Your Time Here Has Been Ordained By God

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a.) A Time to **Live** in His Presence

Heb 11:32-34

And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me to tell of Gideon and Barak and Samson and Jephthah, also of David and Samuel and the prophets: 33 who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, 34 quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens.

These All Practiced
"His Presence" in Their Lives

So Are We Now – Like Never Before

**The Marking of the Year 2000
is an Announcement!**

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b.) A Time to **Walk** in His Paths

Rom 6:3-4

Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? 4 Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

**They Determined to Go After Jesus Christ
As Servants and Slaves of God**

Col 1:27

To them God willed to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles: which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

Ps 65:11

You crown the year with Your goodness, and Your paths drip with abundance.

Gal 5:16

I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.

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c.) A Time to See With His Vision

**They Stood on Mountian Tops Spiritually
They Had a Vision and Passion to See God's Will
Done in the Earth**

Hebrews 11:1-2

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. 2 For by it the elders obtained a good testimony.

God Has Vision - - So Must We

Prov 29:18a

Where there is no vision, the people perish...

Matt 28:18-20

And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. 19 "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 "teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

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2.) The Events Have Been Appointed

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a.) Historic Events are in His Mind

Historically
God Controls the Past

The Events Have Been Appointed

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b.) **Current** Events are in His Hand

The Events Have Been Appointed

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c.) **Future** Events are in His Eyes

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3.) **The Purposes** Have Been Decreed

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Psalms 33:11

*But the plans of the LORD stand firm forever,
the purposes of his heart through all generations.*

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a.) Globally His Decrees are at Work

every nation is moving towards an appointed time

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b.) Nationally His Decrees are Available

The United States is at a Critical Moment of Choice

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c.) Personally His Decrees are for Us

Personally – Rededication is in Order