

Transforming Effect of Prophetic Declarations Hebrews 1:1-7 & 13:20-21

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May the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Heb 13:20-21

Intro and Authorship of Hebrews

God long ago, spoke in many different ways, and in various times, to our father by the prophets, but in these last days, God has spoken to us [completely and definitively] through His Son who He (the Father) has appointed heir of all things through whom also He (the Son) made the worlds (ages). The Son being the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of His (the Father's) essence (being), and sustaining (upholding) all things by His (the Son's) word of power (dunamas). Having made purification for our sins, He (the Son) sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on High. So He (the Son) became much superior to the angels since the name He (the Son) inherited is superior to theirs (the angels).

Hebrews 1:1-4 (translation from Greek)

1. All Christians agree that Scripture is the work of _____ and _____.

2. We need to _____ and _____ all of the Old Testament in light of its fulfillment in Christ

3. There are 3 aspects to understand Scripture
A. _____ = What a Scripture means taking account of the time and setting

B. _____ = How I apply the Scripture to me personally

C. _____ = is what it means in Christ

"The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel" --which means, "God with us."

Matthew 1:23

Brothers, stop thinking like children. In regard to evil be infants, but in your thinking be adults. In the Law it is written: "Through men of strange tongues and through the lips of foreigners I will speak to this people, but even then they will not listen to me," says the Lord. Tongues, then, are a sign, not for believers but for unbelievers; prophecy, however, is for believers, not for unbelievers.

1 Cor 14:20-22

For to which of the angels did God ever say, "You are my Son; today I have become your Father"? Or again, "I will be his Father, and he will be my Son"? 6 And again, when God brings his firstborn into the world, he says, "Let all God's angels worship him."

Hebrews 1:6-7

4. Prophetic _____ is imagining you are in God's Kingdom declaring what is not as though it is (Rom 7:14)

Example of a normal prayer:

We pray that New Life Vineyard will raise the money it needs to finish its Financial Campaign and that the congregation will grow in numbers and unity

Example of a Prophetic Declaration

We declare that New Life Vineyard will exceed its financial campaign goals and will demonstrate that it is blessed above and beyond what we can ask or imagine because its congregation is living the principles of the Kingdom of God and is an example to the community of love, faithfulness, and unity in the Spirit