The Infallibility of Bible Prophecy

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Introduction

We are living in perilous times just as the bible has predicted. Crime is at an all time high, fear grips the hearts of many, and countless other are confused and dismayed by the things what are happening in the world. We are watching our society crumble and determinate right before our eyes and it seems as if no one can do anything about it. People are looking every where for answers. Why even the government admits that they don't have all the answers to our present day problems. And not only us here in the US. but all nations are seeking answers to their current problems. Where can we turn in these troubled times? And what can we count on? The bible say's that 'heaven and earth shall pass away, but my word shall not pass away. In this world of so many uncertainties it is comforting to know that we can rely on Gods word for guidance and direction. He has given us 66 books that make known his plan for man.

Many of these inspired writing contain prophecies that reveals why things are the way they are, and how we can position ourselves in this troubled world to continually receive Gods blessings. These prophetic writings are vital to the health and strength of the church as well. But sadly many reject these writing as untrue or only partially correct. In this paper I would make a case for the infallibility of bible prophecy. For as we shall see more than half of all bible prophecy has already come to pass. Jesus himself fulfilled over 300 prophecies. Why even science and archeology is proving that bible prophecy is true, and accurate. We will take a look at infallibility what it really means. We will take a look at prophecy already fulfilled, and how prophecy is affecting us today. Finally we will discuss what our position should be concerning bible prophecy as believer's, and what every believer should know about it. Jesus said in Rev.1:3 "Blessed is he who reads, and those who hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written in it: for the time is near".

1. What is infallibility and what dose it mean?

Infallibility pertains to some thing that will remain constant, none changing, stay the same.

God said I am the Lord I change not. He said I am the same yesterday, today, and forever.

Infallibility is being able to count on something or someone as long as it excised. In this world there are forces that are consistent but one day they will come to an end. But when you speak of God you are speaking of a being that has no beginning and no end. God is Alpha and Omega, the Beginning and the End the First and the Last

In the Webster dictionary the word infallibility means:" incapable of failing. In the Latin it is taken from in-not. Not capable, not failing. It means in capable of error, an infallible leader, or an infallible method. One who is incapable of error in promulgating doctrine on faith or morals?" God's word is inerrant. That means that his word is always right. God's word is always true. His word will do what it say's it will do. It goes hand, and hand with the word infallibility. It can not be moved. It will not falter. Unlike other men Jesus was infallible, and his words where inerrant. He was perfect in every way. He had to be infallible. There was no fault found in him. He had to be perfect in order to be Gods sacrificial lamb that would die to clean men from their sins. The bibles say's that He was tempted like as we were tempted yet with out sin. We know Him to be the spotless Lamb of God. Over, and over again in His ministry the scribes and the Pharisees tried to discredit His action, and words, and each time they failed. The bible says that it is impossible for God to sin or lie. They tried repeatedly to catch Him in his words. But there was nothing to catch. Their plan was doomed from the start. They were approaching Jesus as if he was a mortal man. Yes He had flesh, and bone like us, but He was also God in the flesh. This they just couldn't rape their heads around. God in the flesh, Impossible. But we know the things that are impossible with men are possible for God. Jesus became infallibility in the flesh. Christ was prophecy fulfilled. As they struggled with prophecy Jesus was prophecy manifested in their face right in their mist. Talk about a sure thing. Wow! Seeing they didn't see, and hearing they didn't hear. Isn't this so much like the world today? Prophecy is being fulfilled all around us yet so many are blind to it. Way even the church in many things concerning End Time Prophecy is asleep. God's word is infallible. He said he would return soon for his bride. Oh how we need to understand bible prophecy, and make the church ready for his return. We must grow in grace, and in the knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ.

2. Confidence in the word of God.

One aspect of the infallibility of bible prophecy is having confidence in the word of God. Unlike the world the believer is told to have faith or confidence in the word of God. In Luke 21:33 the bible says's "heaven and earth shall pass away but my word shall not pass away". God Said that his word will endure for ever, and we can count on it. His word will stand the test of Time and go on into eternity. In Psa.119:89 the scripture say's "forever oh Lord thy word is Settled in the heavens and the earth". That word settled in the Heb. means to established, to make stationary, and appointed. The word deputy means given authority to stay constant. God's word is empowered to maintain a place or state of enforcing itself. The bible say's that he up hold all thing's by the word of his power. In Rom. 3:4 the word say's "Let God be true, and every man be a lair". In Heb. 6:18 it says's "that it is impossible for God to lie. Psa. 89:34 say's "My covenant will I not break nor alter the thing gone out of my lip". But what about the unbeliever the person that doesn't know Jesus Christ as his Lord and savior. They will not approach prophecy with faith or confidence in God. They have no relationship with him. Jesus once told a crowd of unbelieving Jews if you can't get with my words then believe for the very works sake. In other words let the works that I do validate that I am who I say I am. They may not believe in the words of Jesus Christ, but the works are infallible. In the book of Acts the first chapter the third vers the word records that Jesus after his resurrection came back to earth for forty day's, and did many in fallible proofs. I don't believe that these works where only for his followers, but for all those people that would some day look to him for direction and guidance.

3. A Case for Infallibility

The bible contains many prophesies about our world and how things will flow in this season. If We are going to be able to properly predicted future events we must being to embrace prophecy.

Dr. Huge Ross say's that "the bible accurately foretells specific events in detail many years,

some times centuries, before they occur. He goes on to say that" approximately 2500 prophecies appear in the pages of the bible, and 2000 of which have already been fulfilled". He say's that "the odds for all these prophesies having been fulfilled by chance with out error is less than one in 10/2000. That's 1 with 2000 zeros behind it". That is quite an over whelming evidence of its infallibility. All of the prophecies fulfilled can be backed up with hard evidence. You would think that with all the evidence of prophecy fulfilled (over 2000 fulfilled bible prophecies) more people would be lining up their lives, homes, and even the nations with what God has to say about the end time's? Dr John Walvoord, dean at Dallas Theological Seminary, say's "that over 28% of the bible is prophecy". He "teaches that half of the 1000 bible prophecy documented in the last century have already been fulfilled". So in one hundred years one thousand prophecies of the bible have come to pass. That figures out to be 10 prophecies every year. With a track record like that it should make even the unbeliever give bible prophecy a try. It sounds to me as if God was trying very hard to get us the answers that He know we would need in this hour, after all bible prophecy is simply history written in advance. That's right just history in advance. Not some great mysterious train of thought that could only make sense to God, but a living unfolding plan for mankind to navigate through this life with in peace, and comfort. In Rom. 15: 4 Paul writes" For whatsoever thing were written afore time were written for our learning, that we through patience, and comfort of the scriptures might have hope. God gave us the end time program for the world so we could be comforted in this world of change. J F Rutherford wrote in his book called PROPHECY that" An understanding of bible prophecy establishes faith and confidence in God, and lifts many burdens from mankind" Jesus said in Mat11: 28-30 "Come unto me all ye who labor, and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. . Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek, and lowly in heart, and ye shall find rest unto your soul. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.. Gods word is infallible and we can be sure that things will turn out the way He said that they would. Dr. Tim

Lahaye in his book Charting the End Times said "That bible prophecy is Gods infallible message to man, spoken or written by prophets specially chosen by God. He quotes 2 Peter 1: 20-21 "knowing this first of all, that no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God". Peter is very clear about the fact that men did not write what they wanted to or speak what they felt. But were moved upon by the Holy Spirit. These writing were of Gods inspired thought and utterance, and no man is to add or take away from them with judgment coming to him. In Rev. 22:18 John writes "for I testify unto every man that hearth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God will add unto him the plagues that are written in this book". I can hear God saying don't tamper with these writings. They are perfect just the way they are. They are inspired by Me, and I will bring them to pass just as they are written. He gets so intense that he state that the Plagues written in this book will come upon the man that adds anything to these words. My End Time plan is perfect, and I have revealed every thing to you that you need to know. This is it. This is the way things will turn out. Align yourself with these words and all will be well with you. Remember that the revelation Jesus gave to John was not his revelation, but Gods. In Rev. 1:1 the scriptures say "The revelation of Jesus Christ which God gave to him. Jesus was plainly revealing to John what he was told by the Father. The word of the Lord will come to pass just as the Father said it would. I can't amagine the plagues of Revelation coming upon anyone, enemy or not. I wonder if God was trying to really get the attention of men. In Psa. 119:89 the word say's "My covenant will I not break nor alter the thing gone out of my lips". We can rest assure that every prophecy will be fulfilled, and that God will comfort his people as he hath said.

Prophecy Fulfilled

The Greatest cast for the infallibility of bible prophecy is the fulfillment of prophecy itself.

In the begin in the Garden of Eden prophecies have been recorded. The first can be found in Gen. 3. Here we have the promise of the Messiah prophesied by God himself; He told Adam and Eve that the seed of the women would burse the head of the serpent and he would burse her Heel. This prophecy came to pass in a little town called Bethlehem some 4000 years later.

The next prophecies spoken into existence was in Gen. 6 dealing with Noah and his descendence. In particular are the prophecies dealing with Noah's three son's Shem, Japath, and Ham. Upon departing from the Ark Noah planted a vine yard. When the grapes were ready he made wine, and the bible say's that he got drunk in his tent. Ham his youngest son entered his father's tent, and saw his nakedness. Later when Noah found out what his son had done he Cursed Ham to be the slave of this brothers (Gen. 9: 25), and especially Shem's. Noah then blessed Japheth telling him that his descendent would be great. He also told Japheth that he would dwell in the tent's of his brother Shem, and that the descendents of Ham would serve him too. Ham's descendent became known as the Canaanites, and we know that many years later God would give the land of Canaan on to Shem's descendant's being Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob whose name was changed to Israel.

After Noah's came the patriarch known as Abram, whose name was later

Change to Abraham to mean Father of nation. It was prophesied that his seed would

become a great nation, and in him all the nation of the world would be blessed. In John P Mc

Ternan's book "As America –has done to- Israel he makes quite a cast about the blessings, and

Cursing of nations as they interact with Israel. "He states that because of Americas roll in

removing the Jews from Gaze, and attempting to divide the land of Israel we are suffering

many of the cusses what God said would come on the nation that curse Israel".

Other amazing prophecies are the prophecies of Daniel. He was used by God to interrupt Nebuchadnezzar dream, and reveal the four world empires that would rise to power.

The accuracy of these prophecies are staggering to say the lest, and make a strong case for the infallibility of bible prophecy. Daniel even predicted the abomination of desolation what will take place during the seven year tribulation period. Danial also gives us a clear picture of the beasts used to describe perfectly the characteristics of each empire. Even predicting the Premature death of Alexander the great, and the dividing of his kingdom. And of course I can't For get Daniel seventy weeks. Which sixty nine weeks have already been accomplished? This Leaves one week left. This week is prophesies as Jacobs trouble, and is better known as the seven

Years of tribulation. Daniel also received prophecies about the return of Israel to its home land, and the rebuilding of the temple only to be destroyed again by Titus the roman general in 70AD. Daniel also predicted the raise of the anti-Christ, the false prophet, and the beast. He spoke of the

ten kings, and the ten nation that will align themselves with the anti-christ empire. J . Dwight Pentecost in his book titled "THINGS to COME say's "It is clear from Daniel 7:24 that these ten kings are the heads of ten kingdoms. The fact that the ten rise "out of" the fourth kingdom seems to suggest that the fourth is not viewed as having passed out of existence, to be resurrected again, but rather, to have continued in some form until the ten horn condition merges". Many believe that these ten are already assembled and waiting for the right leader to Come forth to bring them into world domination. I speak of the UK and its many factions.

Still an other great sign, and evidence of the infallibility of bible prophecy is the nation of Israel. This nation was destroyed in 586 BC, by king Nebuchadnezzar. Both Jerusalem, and it's temple. After a 70 year captivity the people were allowed to return to their home land to rebuild. In 70 AD, the city of Jerusalem was destroyed again along with the temple, and the people were

scattered all over the earth. After many years of persecution, and suffering the Jewish people began to return to their home land, and in 1948 they became a nation again. They had been gone from their land for 1878 years. Every word prophesied by Daniel, and many other prophets have come to pass concerning this tiny little nation. John P Mc Ternan in his book (as America-has done to – Israel) said"Israel should have ended as a nation, and probably as a people in 586 BC, but survived. Israel definitely should have ceased to be a nation in 70 AD, but as the ancient prophets wrote, the nation was literally reborn". Author, and writer David Hunt in his book A Cup of Trembling say's that" the title deed to the land of Israel was given by God to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob to replace nations which had been cast out of the land because of their wickedness". He uses Deuteronomy 9:4-5 to make his case. "Speak not thou in thine heart, after the Lord thy God hath csat them out (the Canaanites descendents of Ham) from before thee, saying, For my righteousness the Lord hath brought me in to possess the land; but for the wickedness of these nations the Lord doth drive them out from before thee ... and that he may perform the words which the Lord swore unto thy fathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob". These prophecies are spoken of over, and over again concerning Israel in many other books of the bible, and by many other prophets. They are fulfilled in the return of the Jews to their promise land once again after 1887 years.

Prophecy Fulfilled by Christ

There are over 300 prophecies fulfilled by Jesus Christ. God gave a promise to the women that her seed would burse the head of the serpent in Gen,3:15. This came to pass thousands of years Later in a little town called Bethlehem. It as also said of Jesus that He would be of the line of David in Jer.23:5. We also see the prophecy fulfilled when Jesus was rejected by his own people in Isa.9:6-7 In Isa. 53: 4-5 we are told just how He would suffer for us to redeem us from our sins. In 1 Peter 2:24 we are again told how he died confirming the writings of the prophet Isaiah. In a article written by George and Ray Konig they say" Jesus is unique among all people in

history in that he is the fulfillment of centuries of Messianic prophecies, which are found in the Old Testament of the bible, that foretold his place of birth, details of his life, his mission, his nature, his death, and his resurrection. The prophecies are sometimes called "Messianic prophecies," because they refer to the Messiah, which means "anointed one " or " chosen one."

Science and Archeology

Long before men could fly or peer into the heavens with powerful telescopes a prophet of the Old Testament prophesied that the world was round. In Isaiah 40:22 Isaiah said "It is He that sited upon the circle of the earth." When the world believed that the earth was flat one man know that it was round.

Here is a new development in modern archeology that gives proof to the king ship of David. "Resent archeology investigations have demolished the position of those who rejected the biblical account of Israel's kings such as King David. In 1993, archeologists digging at Tel Dan in the Galilee in northern Israel found a fragment of a stone inscription that clearly refers to the house hold of David, and identifies David as the "King of Israel." This also goes to identifying the line of David all the way to Christ. For if there was no David then Jesus can not be hire to Jerusalem's Throne.

How is Prophecy Affecting Us Today?

Bible prophecy affects us every day whether we realize it or not. As stated earlier God has a Master plan for the earth. He is in control, and we are winding down the clock of God to the final moments here in this life as we know it now. There are invisible force at work shaping our world. How things play out every day depends on Gods divine purposes, and plans. Dr. David Jeremiah in his book "WHAT IN THE WORLD IS GOING ON? Say's "That the bible has proven to be absolutely dependable. Therefore we can trust it as one source of reliable information about the meaning of the events of our day." He goes on to say "that the Lord Jesus Christ himself spoke of the wisdom of discerning the signs of the times, and of taking

appropriate action as we wait for his return." We can no longer be uninformed. We must begin to correctly discern the signs of the times.

What Should Be Our Position About Bible Prophecy As Believer's?

Rom. 15: 4 say's" For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for your learning, that we through patience, and comfort of the scripture might have hope." Dr. Ed Hindson say's "Bible prophecy is simply future history written in advance! Because of that, we recognize it to be the compassionate message of a loving God. It is designed to produce faith in your heart, prompting you to make decisions in your life what will secure a wonderful future for you." God gave us prophecy so that we could be informed of the thing that will come to pass. He

wants us to be watching, and vigilant. He does not want things to over take us unawhere. We need to be studying prophecy, and looking at all the signs. We should know what to do, and how to react to things as they happen. We should be sounding the alerm to those that we have contact with sharing the message of life and hope with them. Gods word will not fail, and the things that have gone out of the mouth of God prophets shall come to pass. Jesus told his Disciples that when you see all these things come to pass look up for your redemption draweth Nigh.

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