

## 1 Pet. 1:10-12

- I. Christian salvation was of great interest to the prophets (10-12d)
  - A. The Prophets searched into its meaning and implications (10-11)
    - 1. The prophets took great interest in the things concerning salvation (10)
      - a The prophets who prophesied concerning the grace that was to be yours, they searched out (10a)
      - b And they inquired carefully concerning this salvation (10b)
        - Both terms, “searched out” and “inquired carefully” have the implication of exerting a lot of effort to learn something
    - 2. Specifically, they investigated to find out exactly what the prophets meant when they predicted the sufferings and resulting glories of Christ (11)
      - a They investigated into what time and what kind of time (11a)
        - The time and circumstances – cf. Matt. 24:3
      - b The Spirit was telling them beforehand about the sufferings and the resulting glories of Christ (11b-c)
        - 1) The Spirit of Christ in them was making known (11b)
          - cf. 2 Pet. 1:19-21
        - 2) By bearing witness beforehand about the sufferings that happened to Christ and the glories that came after them (11c)
          - The sufferings of Christ – cf. Luke 24:25-6
          - The glories that come after
          - This is a key connection that Peter will reference throughout the rest of the epistle
          - Notice how many times in Peter, whenever he mentions the sufferings his readers are experiencing, he immediately points to their future experience of glory as God’s vindication of their suffering.
          - Peter is reminding his readers of Jesus’ experience as a promise that when they follow in the footsteps of His suffering, they will likewise have a similar experience to His vindication and glory
          - The readers follow the pattern of Christ through suffering to glory
  - B. They found out it was not for them, but for our time (12a-d)
    - 1. It was revealed to them that they were serving a future age (12a-c)
      - a It was revealed to them (12a)
      - b That they were not serving themselves, but to you (12b-c)
        - 1) It was not to themselves (12b)
        - 2) But they were serving these things to you (12c)
    - 2. These things have now been proclaimed to you through those who preached you the Gospel by the Holy Spirit, sent from Heaven (12d)
- II. Christian salvation is of great interest to angels – they long to gain a clear glance into these things (12e)
  - Literally, “stoop to look”