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Jesus Has the Last Word

Hebrews 1:2a

‘Study to show thyself approved unto God...’ – 2 Timothy 2:15
The importance of reading and learning God’s word is a vital part of both growing and also experiencing the blessing of belonging to God the Father through His Son, Jesus Christ.

This truth is one of the purposes why we wish to offer you these sermon notes which are to be used while listening to the sermon.

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INTRODUCTION

Today we will seek to further understand the significance of the *prologue* to the Book of Hebrews in Part 2 under the sermon topic: **God Has Spoken Then and Now.**

A) SOMETHING IS DIFFERENT

They (Jesus, Apostles, etc) were keenly aware that with the coming of Messiah (God's Son) that some sort of significant transition in God's Eschatological scheme had been initiated.

HEB.8:7-8 “For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second.⁸For finding fault with them, he saith, **Behold, the days come**, saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah:” (quoting Jer. 31:31-34).

ACTS 2:16-17 “ But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel; 17And it shall come to pass **in the last days**, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams:” (quoting Joel 2:28-32).

MARK 1:15 “And saying, the time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God **is at hand**: repent ye, and believe the gospel.”

• While the prophets pointed forward unto the last days, Jesus and His Apostles clearly announced that the last days were indeed at hand. That which had been promised was now in the act of being accomplished.

1) ALREADY REALITIES:

a) *NC Accomplishment.* **Luke 22:20** “This cup which is poured out for you is the new covenant in My blood.”

b) *New Spiritual Birth w/ Love for God's Moral Law*

c) *Abundance of Revelation*

1 John 2:27 “But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, **and ye need not that any man teach you:** but as

the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.”

d) Assurance & Final Peace w/ GOD.

- When the writer of Hebrews, Jesus, Apostles and the former prophets speak of the last days they understand the last days as having begun starting with Jesus earthly ministry (particularly with the shedding of His blood).

2) NOT-YET PROMISES

a) *Total freedom from the world.* **1 Cor.7:31** “...For the present form of this world is passing away..”

b) *No more war between the Flesh & Spirit.* **Gal.5:17** “For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.”

c) *End of sickness and death* , etc. **Rev.21:4** “And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.” **1Cor.15:26** “The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death.”

d) *Seeing Jesus and physically being with him.* **John 14:2-3** “In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

II. THE FINALITY of GOD’s REVELATION in these last days.

- The inspired writer of Hebrews purposefully contrasts the former revelations of God through the prophets with those by His own Son to stress the point that God has nothing else to reveal in these last days.

Question for us to consider: How does the writer seek to convince us of this truth of “CERTAIN FINALITY” that by GOD’s Son His revelation in these last days is completed?

1) CHARACTER & NATURE of the SON

• The character of the Son in whom God has spoken does much more than suggest that this revelation is final, it indeed requires we understand it as the final and complete revelation of God to us.

2) THE GREEK PHRASED USED

• While the inspired writer is penning this message, he purposefully uses this phrase “has spoken” in the original tongue to clearly communicate that in the Son, God’s revelation is not continual , not ongoing. It is final. It is finished.

3) NO QUALIFICATIONS GIVEN

• This lack of qualification upon or against God’s revelation by His Son in v.2 serves as an unspoken; but none the less, a powerful testimony of the final and consummate nature of the revelation the Son spoke.

4) RETORICAL STRUCTURE COMMUNICATES FINALITY

v.1 “in times past” this denotes an epoch of revelation now far past and completed as compared to the present age, which is the time of God’s speaking by His Son.

v.2 “these last days” denotes the fulfillment of the OT prophecies had arrived.

CONCLUSION

• In the Son, God has spoken his full and final word. All that which was but only type and shadows has given way to the great reality to which they all pointed to.

➤ Points of Application

1) In Jesus, we have a THE FINAL WORD from the GOD.

We must resist searching for the next ‘new spiritual fix’.

2) To claim the validity of modern-day prophets and/or those who say the LORD is directly communicating something to

them – is to deny the distinct position and work that GOD has placed on His only begotten Son.

- 3) As NC believers, we do in fact; according to these verses, stand in a privileged position in contrast of those under the OC. May we be humbled and delighted as recipients of God's revelation to us by His Son.

Special Note:

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If you do not have a home church we encourage you to search out a bible preaching, reverent worshipping assembly of local believers.