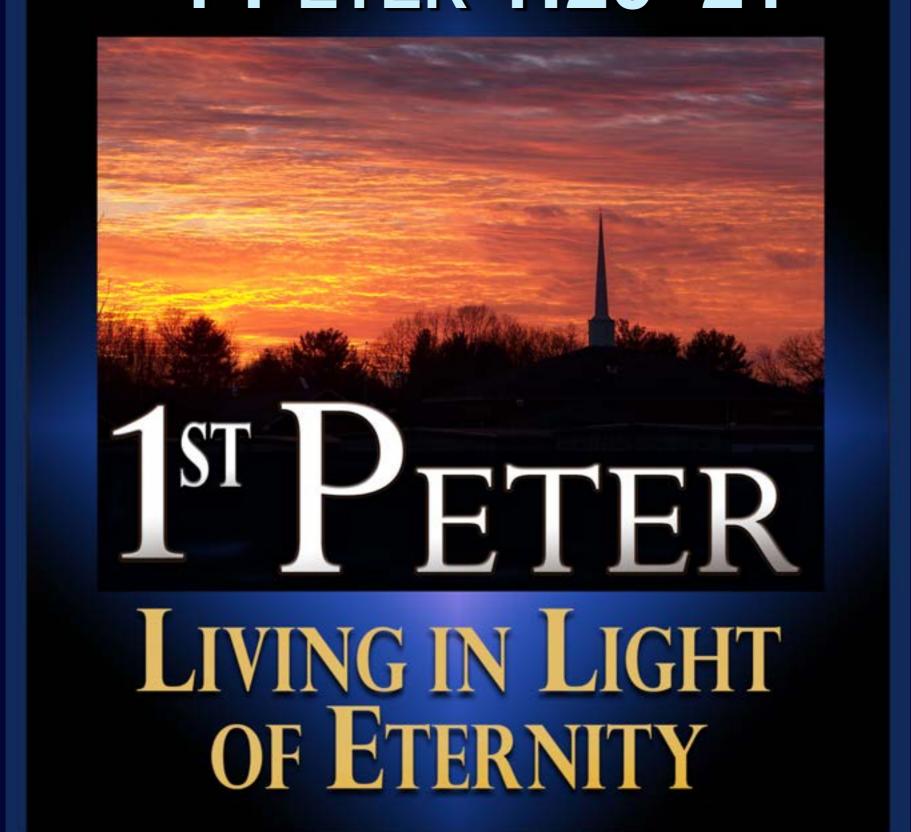
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FAITHFUL: FAITH AND HOPE 1 PETER 1:20–21



- 1. Rest your hope fully on the grace brought to you through objective thinking ... (1 Pet. 1:13–14)
- Set yourselves apart to the service of God in every area of your lifestyle ...
 (1 Pet. 1:15–16)
- 3. Conduct your lives in fearful respect of God ... (1 Pet. 1:17–21)
- 4. Love one another with integrity ... (1 Pet. 1:22–25)

1 Pet. 1:17, "And conduct yourselves throughout the time of your stay here in fear; if [since] you call on the Father, who without partiality judges according to each one's work,"

ἀναστρέφω anastrephō aor pass impera 2 plur to upset, overturn, turn back, turn round; fig. act, to live, behave, conduct oneself, live

Live in hope related to the future revelation of the grace of God in Christ (Personal Sense of Eternal Destiny)

Be holy (Confession, Grace Orientation, Doctrinal Orientation)

Live your life based on the fear of God (Doctrinal Orientation, Personal Love for God)

Because you know what it cost to redeem you

Love one another (Impersonal Love for all Mankind)

1 Pet. 1:20, "indeed, having been foreknown before the foundation of the world, and was manifest in these last times because of you [all]

1 Pet. 1:21, "who through Him believe in God [Father], who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God."

[expanded translation]

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Acts 26:5, "They knew me from the first, if they were willing to testify, that according to the strictest sect of our religion I lived a Pharisee." Rom. 8:29, "For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren."

Rom. 11:2, "God has not cast away His people whom He foreknew. Or do you not know what the Scripture says of Elijah, how he pleads with God against Israel, saying,"

2 Pet. 3:17, "You therefore, beloved, since you know this beforehand, beware lest you also fall from your own steadfastness, being led away with the error of the wicked;"

Acts 2:23, "Him, being delivered by the determined purpose and foreknowledge of God, you have taken by lawless hands, have crucified, and put to death;"

1 Pet. 1:2, "elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace be multiplied."

NIDNTT: "The corresponding noun prognosis (attested as a medical technical term since Hippocrates) denotes the foreknowledge which makes it possible to predict the future."

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"The meaning intimate, loving relationship is very unlikely as a definition for foreknowledge in this passage. Nor does the meaning election, choice naturally fit. The other alleged possibility creates a tautology: by the determined plan and determination (determined plan) of God."

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Rom. 8:28, "And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.

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If "foreknowledge" means the same as "choosing to have a relationship beforehand," i.e., *predestination*, then the passage is redundant.

"We know this because all those God foreknew He also destined to glory just like He did His Son. In order to accomplish this purpose, He calls these same individuals, justifies them, and finally glorifies them. This seems clear enough. The passage states each step as distinct and chronologically and/or logically successive, moving from the beginning, foreknowledge, to the goal, glorification. Foreknowledge is foundational. It is prior to all the other elements." [emphasis added]

~Dr. Thomas Edgar on Foreknowledge

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"But it is clear from the connection of 8:28 and 8:29 because that 8:29 sets forth the purpose of God for those described, i.e., those He foreknows. Thus, if proginosko means choose, of necessity it means choose for this purpose. So God would by that very choice be predestining them to glory, which is predestination. However, in this passage predestination is carefully separated from foreknowledge and is based on foreknowledge." [emphasis added]

~Dr. Thomas Edgar

Rom. 11:1, "I say then, has God cast away His people? Certainly not! For I also am an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, of the tribe of Benjamin.

Rom. 11:2, "God has not cast away His people whom He foreknew [knew beforehand]. Or do you not know what the Scripture says of Elijah, how he pleads with God against Israel, saying,"

1. Paul is talking to King Agrippa about issues he, the king, is familiar with.

2. Paul reminds him that he received his training in Jerusalem, something all the Jewish leaders know.

3. They (the Jewish leaders) knew me before these other events (related to his conversion) occurred. They all knew beforehand that I was a hard core Pharisee.

4. The object of *knew* is ME, thus indicating they knew something about the person Paul.

5. Thus *proginosko*, refers to knowledge about someone or something, not a predetermined relationship, a loving relationship, a choice, or a pre-determined plan.

Conclusion

Foreknowledge means to know beforehand,

thus foreknowledge is a subcategory of God's omniscience.

1 Pet. 1:20, "He indeed was foreordained [known beforehand] before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you" [NKJV]

1 Pet. 1:20, "He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake." [NIV]

NASB; NET; have "foreknown"

One commentator says,

"Here neither Christ's faith nor any other action or attribute of his is the object of foreknowledge; rather, it was Christ *himself* foreknown. ..."

Thus, this writer states that "foreknowledge means a loving, committed relationship."

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"Peter again uses the word foreknown. In 1:1-2, the believer was foreknown and this foreknowledge included the redemptive foreknowledge of God. Now, Peter points out that the Redeemer Himself was included in the redemptive foreknowledge of God. The word 'foreknown' means to know ahead of time because of pre-planning. Before the foundation of the world, God foreknew and planned the whole redemptive program; Jesus was chosen to be the Redeemer before the creation of the universe and before there were any sinners who needed to be redeemed. Now, at the appointed time, He was manifested to them; He now appeared in human history. The verb 'manifested' is in the aorist tense and is a summary of the whole First Coming. The Greek word for 'times' is the origin of the word 'chronology.' It refers to the successive periods of human history until the fullness of time came as written in Galatians 4:4 and ..."

[~]Arnold Fruchtenbaum, 1 Peter, sv 1 Pet. 1:20

"Thus God knew the complete program of redemption before the foundation of the world. The revelation of this program is for the benefit of those who through the hearing of the gospel would put their faith in God and enter into the living hope of the new birth based on the resurrection of Christ (1:3)."

~K. Jobes, 1 Peter; "Baker Exegetical Commentary on the New Testament"

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φανερόω *phaneroō* aor pass part masc sing gen to make known, reveal

the synonym, *apokalupto* is used in 1:5, 7, 13; 4:13; 5:1 for the future revelation at the Second Coming

John 1:31, "I did not know Him; but that He should be <u>revealed</u> to Israel, therefore I came baptizing with water."

John 2:11, "This beginning of signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory; and His disciples believed in Him."

John 3:21, "But he who does the truth comes to the light, that his deeds may be <u>clearly</u> seen, that they have been done in God."

John 17:6, "I have manifested Your name to the men whom You have given Me out of the world. They were Yours, You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word." 2 Cor. 4:10, "always carrying about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body.

2 Cor. 4:11, "For we who live are always delivered to death for Jesus' sake, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh."

But Peter also uses this word to refer to the Rapture.

1 Pet. 5:4, "and when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that does not fade away."

We are in the last days ...

We are in the last days... and we have been in the last days since the ascension of Christ.

2 Tim. 3:1, "But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come:"

Heb. 1:2, "has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds;"

1 John 2:18, "Little children, it is the last hour; and as you have heard that the Antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have come, by which we know that it is the last hour."

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πιστός *pistos*acc masc plur
(verbal)
faithful, reliable,
trustworthy

πίστις *pist<u>is</u>* acc fem sing faith, belief, trust είς θεὸν eis theon to God, toward God

Glory reminds us that suffering in the present time, is nothing compared with the glory to come.

- 1 Pet. 1:6, "In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials,
- 1 Pet. 1:7, "that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ,"

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1 Pet. 1:8, "whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and <u>full of glory</u>,"

Faith and Hope

Faith here refers to the Faith-Rest Drill, the act of trusting God, mixing faith with the promises of God.

Hope summarizes the adolescent stage of the spiritual life and the 6th spiritual skill—personal sense of destiny (cf., 1 Pet. 1:13).

1 Pet. 1:22, "Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart,

1 Pet. 1:23, "having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever,"