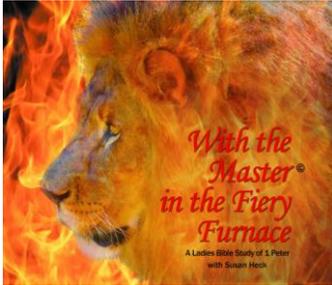


With the Master in the Fiery Furnace—Lesson 3—1 Peter 1:8-12—The Importance of the Prophets



1. (a) Read 1 Peter 1:8-12 and write down at least five things you do not understand. (b) Now, take some time and do some searching to find out the answers to those five things you do not understand!
2. Memorize 1 Peter 1:8.
3. 1 Peter 1:10 mentions the prophets of old who prophesied of the grace that should come. (a) According to Acts 28:23, 24 what response did the people have concerning these prophecies? (b) Why did some not believe the words of the prophets? See verses 25-29. (c) What did Jesus say in John 5:46, 47 to those who would not believe the prophets?
4. (a) How were the prophecies revealed to the Old Testament prophets according to 2 Peter 1:19-21? (b) What is the “more sure word of prophecy” that Peter mentions in verse 19? (KJV) (c) What should be our response to this word of prophecy?
5. (a) After His resurrection, to whom did Jesus expound the prophets? See Luke 24:13-32, 44, 45. (b) What was their response? See verse 32.
6. The following passages are some prophecies from the Old Testament concerning the sufferings of Christ. Psalm 22; Psalm 69; Psalm 88; Isaiah 52:13, 14; Isaiah 53; Zechariah 13:7. (a) Skim these passages and list the sufferings you find predicted about our Lord. (b) Who is the prophet that is prophesying in each passage? (c) What is the “glory that should follow,” according to Isaiah 11?
7. (a) Would you be able to explain from the New Testament how some Old Testament prophecies have been fulfilled? (b) Do you spend as much time in the Old Testament as you do in the New Testament? Why or why not? (c) After studying this lesson, do you see any importance in familiarizing yourself with the whole counsel of God?
8. (a) If you were an Old Testament Prophet, how do you think you would react to a prophecy revealed to you? (b) What was Daniel’s reaction? See Daniel 2:19-23 and Daniel 10.
9. After carefully considering this week’s lesson, come with a prayer request to share.