

CAUGHT BY GOD'S TSUNAMI OF SALVATION

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READ 1 Peter 1:10-12

ILL- Gettysburg battle, turning the tide of Civil War, and seeing its end

Many times we become down-trodden about our faith and look down upon our salvation.

Two views of the same story: our small day-to-day view is blind to God overarching sovereign work.

Concerning this salvation... Conclusion of Peter's encouragement who you are and whose you are

1. You began according to the sovereign plan of God to save the people of God, whom he chooses.

- He set his affectionate love on his elect for any actions we made in creation (grace)
- Before Creation, God set his people apart for special use – obedience
- You were also set apart to be sprinkled by the blood of Christ.

GOD HAS HAD HIS EYE ON YOUR LONG BEFORE YOU KNEW HIM.

You cannot worked to be saved...But God has been working to save you.

2. Your future is caused and kept by God's blessed and merciful sovereignty

- According to his great mercy, by causing you to be saved into the work of Jesus
- God is preserving for you an inheritance unlike anything you've ever seen – imperishable
- God is preserving you, is precious elected, so that you will get what He promised to you.

GOD ALWAYS GETS HIS WAY... YOU BEING SAVED AND BECOMING HIS CHILD, AND HAVING THE TRESURE OF HEAVEN LAVISHED UPON YOU IS WHAT GOD WANTS.

3. Until you reach the end, God uses his sovereignty even in trials to strengthen and purify you

- Trials are necessary to bring a the elect into Christ-likeness
- God is proving to you the genuineness of your faith
- True faith will rejoice in God's sovereign salvation, over every earthly situation that befalls you.

ALL OF CREATION IS THE WORKSHOP OF GOD TO BEAUTIFY HIS CHILDREN. NOTHING CAN DIMINISH YOU.

Caught by God's Tsunami of Salvation

1. The Prophet's longed for what you know and have experienced (past)

- Searched and inquired carefully about the grace that was to be yours
- Wondering sufferings of Christ and the subsequent glories
- The great men of the bible were your servants bringing the gospel to you. Rejection & death.
- You were the goal of their ministry... that sinners would be bound to God by grace

2. Preachers of the gospel brought you the message of the prophets (present)

- Preaching of the Word of God is God's primary tool of salvation and all other ministries.
- It is how you came to know Jesus... the preaching of the word, the same messages of warning and hope from the prophets of the OT.

3. Angels anxiously longing for this climax of history and the elect are enable to believe (eternal)

This is the moment, the entire angelic host have been waiting for all eternity.... You!

This is why such jubilant singing erupted at Christ's birth.

The conquering of sin and the giving of the spirit to the elect as they embrace the Christ—JESUS!

The tide has turned, the curse of the garden is in full retreat as the sons of God appear.

Bringing transformation in their wake as they defeat sin and begin to restore the creation.