

# Time Travel

Today, we often hear of preachers taking the Scriptures out of their original context and misapplying them in a nonexistent future setting. This is what we call “**time travel**”.

Time travel always brings confusion to the forefront of Scriptural understanding. When the original meaning of Scripture is altered, Biblical Truth is obscured. Any foundation that has been established on bits and pieces of human understanding will be doomed to failure.

In **Matthew 7:24-27**, Jesus instructed us to build our spiritual house on the solid rock foundation of His Word. Sand is small fragments of rock that have no unity. When you mix the Word of God with manmade doctrines based on human ideologies, you get division.

The only way to get rid of confusion and division is for all the preachers and teachers of God’s Word to speak the same message. This message is the message of the Bible. **(1 Corinthians 1:10)** We must build our spiritual house upon the Rock of the Word of God. **(Luke 6:47-48)** We must be doers of the Word of God. **(James 1:22)**

This message that Jesus and the Apostles taught has not changed nor will it ever change. The Word of God is the same yesterday, today, and forever. **(Hebrews 13:8, Psalms 119:89, 100:5)**

What the Word of God says to one, it says to all. What it requires of one, it requires of all. What it does in one life, if allowed, it will do in every life. The Word of God is our firm foundation that standeth sure. **(2 Timothy 2:19)**

This is what we are built upon. **(Ephesians 2:20)** There is no other foundation. **(1 Corinthians 3:11)** There is only **ONE** Gospel message of Jesus Christ. **(Galatians 1:8-9, John 10:1,4-5)**

There are many voices speaking today about the return of Jesus and all of the many events that will occur when He arrives. These events are often called end-time events of the last days of planet Earth.

These events are constantly being pushed off into our future. The preachers and teachers of this kind of futuristic theology are themselves deceived and continue to deceive all that hear and follow them.

They are simply repeating what they themselves have been taught. Because many church people do not fact check what their preachers are telling them, they never experience the wonder of God’s Word.

Entrance into heaven and life eternal has only one door. **(John 10:9)** Remember, Truth means the same in every language. It is not affected by national boundaries, race, creed, or color.

What many people fail to understand is that the Bible was written to Covenant people about events that happened and were happening to them. These events were happening to them at the time the Bible was being written.

The Bible was written to living, breathing people about what was getting ready to take place in **their** lives. These things were relevant to **them**.

**Notice the words that were used when speaking to believers in the first century. Here are a few examples:**

**1 Thessalonians 4:14-15,17** – the “**we**” was “**them**” almost two thousand years ago. The “**we**” is not “**us**” today.

**2 Thessalonians 1:7** – the “**you**” was “**them**” and the “**us**” was Paul and the first century church not us living 2,000 years later.

**Philippians 4:5** – Paul was telling “**them**” that the coming of the Lord was at hand to them back in the first century.

**Matthew 24:34** – the “**this generation**” Jesus addressed was that first century generation not “**us**” today.

These are just a few examples of time sensitive passages. What many preachers do with Scriptures like these is they transport them off 2,000 years into our future and say that they have **NOT** happened yet.

This is what we call “**time travel**”. When reading the Scriptures, we must always apply the principle of audience relevance. We must ask ourselves, what did these Scriptures mean to those to whom they were written?

When Jesus returned in AD 70 of the first century, many that were left behind began to alter the Apostles’ doctrine and change the message of the Apostles thereby changing the results of the Gospel.

Many began teaching fables saying all things that Jesus and the Apostles taught had not happened yet but would happen sometime in the not-too-distant future. We read in **Romans 16:17** an admonition that is still relevant to believers today. We are instructed to avoid preachers that contradict the Apostles’ Doctrine. Paul told Timothy to take heed unto the doctrine. **(1 Timothy 4:16)**

**The Scripture clearly says this:** how can they preach except they be sent? **(Romans 10:15)**

Many people who preach today claim that God called them, but much of what they say contradicts the Word of God. We can read about these kinds of people in **Jeremiah 23:21, 31-32**. The Word of God is the voice of God. (**Psalms 103:20, John 3:34**) In many churches today, when the leadership changes, churches change. (**Isaiah 9:16**)

The Bible clearly says that there is **ONE** faith. (**Ephesians 4:5**) We must contend for this **ONE** faith. (**Jude 3**) Today there are thousands and thousands of different faiths.

There is only one common salvation. We must speak and teach the same Gospel message. (**Acts 2:37-41**) If we all speak the same thing, confusion will be eliminated. (**1 Corinthians 14:33**)

The great challenge that Truth faces today is church people are not willing to be told Truth. This is because the Truth would uncover many things that their preachers and teachers taught which are wrong.

A question often asked is when does spiritual life begin? The answer is simple; spiritual life begins after a person is born again. (**John 3:3,5,7**) Human nature will always seek out the way of least resistance.

This is way there are so many “**modern**” translations of the Bible. People who are not alive spiritually do not have eyes to see or ears to hear. Why give a blind man a book he cannot read or understand.

## **Conclusion**

Without time travel in the spaceship called “**fables**”, most churches probably would not even exist today. (**2 Peter 1:16**) Preachers use messages of gloom, doom, and end of the world scenarios to scare their people into obedience and submission.

If you can't believe the men that Jesus chose and that followed Him and were eyewitnesses of His Majesty, who can you believe? These eyewitnesses are the men who wrote the Word of God.

If what your preacher is telling you contradicts what the Apostles wrote, your preacher is the one who is wrong. Read your Bible, ask God to lead you and guide you. Only thirsty people will look for water.

Only hungry people will look for food. (**Jeremiah 29:13, Matthew 5:6**) Don't be deceived by time travel on the spaceship called fables but rather believe those who were the eyewitnesses of His Majesty.

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