

THE SURE WORD, PART 2:
THE CERTAINTY OF PROPHETIC REVELATION
(2 Peter 1:19-21)

- I. The CHARACTER of the Prophetic Message (2 Pet. 1:19a)
 - A. It is in OUR POSSESSION
 - 1. Includes ALL of SCRIPTURE
 - 2. Bears witness to the COMING CHRIST
 - B. It is MORE SURE than Peter's personal EXPERIENCE

- II. The PRESENT FUNCTION of the Prophetic Message (2 Pet. 1:19b)
 - A. The APPROPRIATE ATTITUDE toward Scripture
 - 1. Requires PAYING ATTENTION to it
 - 2. Provides ILLUMINATION in "a DARK PLACE"
 - B. The EVENTUAL ECLIPSE of Scripture
 - 1. Characterized as "DAY" as opposed to the "NIGHT"
 - 2. Introduced by the MORNING STAR arising in our HEARTS

III. The ORIGIN of the Prophetic Message (2 Pet. 1:20-21)

A. What it NEVER is

1. A matter of PERSONAL "interpretation"
2. A matter of personal ORIGINATION (cf. Jer. 23:16-25)
3. "Made by an act of HUMAN WILL"

B. What it ALWAYS is

1. Produced by the Holy Spirit MOVING MEN
2. Penned words SPOKEN from GOD