



IN THE FULLNESS OF TIME

GALATIANS 4:4

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*But when the fullness
of time had come,
God sent forth his
Son, born of woman,
born under the law*

(ESV)

1. Realize _____ (v.4)

2. Understand _____ (v.4)

3. Be _____ (v.4)

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read **Genesis 12:1-3**. Considering God's redemptive plan, and the way he promised the unfolding of it so long ago, even back in the days of Genesis, how is your faith enriched when you contemplate all of God's promises?
2. Read **Isaiah 41:21-29**. Why are the promises of God as expressed in all the predictive prophecies such an important feature of biblical Christianity? What is the problem with believing a group's religious claims about God without this important miraculous feature found throughout the biblical record?
3. Read **Hebrews 6:13-20**. What is your response to the fact that God wants you to maintain a firm and thorough confidence in his yet-to-be-fulfilled promises? Why do you think this is so important to God?
4. Read **2 Peter 3:1-18**. Give an answer to the question posed in verse 11. What sort of people ought we to be if this world-ending set of promises is actually true, and could be initiated at any time?
5. Read **Revelation 21:1-5**. Reflecting on what God accomplished in the first coming of Christ some 2,000 years ago, how does an increased confidence in what he has said will be inaugurated at his second coming affect your daily life, and the current trials you face?

The following related sermons are also available for downloading or streaming on the Focal Point Website and App (FPR.org).

Msg. 06-28 – **Impeccable Promises & Divine Character**
Msg. 06-26 – **Our Assurance & God's Truthfulness**
Msg. 17-15 – **Loving God's Faithful Promises**
Msg. 10-17 – **Discovering the Patience of Christian Hope**
Msg. 20-30 – **Summer Fruit: Patience**
Msg. 07-72 – **Daniel's Seventy Weeks**
Msg. 04-27 – 04-31 – **Life's Last Enemy** (a five-part series)

Daily Bible Reading Schedule

Dec. 17th..... Obadiah & Rev. 8
Dec. 18th..... Jon.1-4 & Rev.9
Dec. 19th..... Mic.1-3 & Rev.10
Dec. 20th..... Mic.4-5 & Rev.11
Dec. 21st..... Mic.6-7 & Rev.12
Dec. 22nd..... Nah. 1-3 & Rev.13
Dec. 23rd..... Hab. 1-3 & Rev.14
Dec. 24th..... Zeph. 1-3 & Rev.15

Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

Alcorn, Randy. **Heaven**. Tyndale House Publishers, 2004.
Bounds, Edward M. **Heaven: A Place, A City, A Home**. Baker Books, 1975.
Burroughs, Jeremiah. **The Rare Jewel of Christian Contentment**. Reprint. Banner of Truth, 1981.
Carson, D. A. **How Long, O Lord? Reflections on Suffering & Evil**. Baker Books, 1990.
Lutzer, Erwin. **The Vanishing Power of Death**. Moody, 2004.
Pink, A. W. **The Sovereignty of God**. Reprint. Banner of Truth, 2009.
Pritchard, Ray. **An Anchor for the Soul: Help for the Present, Hope for the Future**. Moody Press, 2000.
Rose Publishing. **Bible Promises of Hope and Courage** [Pamphlet]. Rose Publishing, Inc., 2006.
Stanley, Lynn. **The Fruit of the Spirit Is Patience**. Focus Publishing, 1999.
Tada, Joni Eareckson. **Heaven: Your Real Home**. Zondervan, 1997.
Taylor, Justin , et al. **Stand: A Call for the Endurance of the Saints**. Crossway, 2008.
Wallace, J. Warner. **Person of Interest**. Zondervan, 2021.
Watson, Thomas. **All Things for Good**. (Puritan Paperbacks) Reprint. Banner of Truth, 1986.