

**Series Title:**

**“The Kingdom of Heaven Is At Hand”**  
(A Study of the Second Coming of Jesus Christ)

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**Sermon Title:**

**“Why Should We Study Bible Prophecy?”**  
(Part I)

**Sermon Text:**

Selected Scripture

**Introduction:**

- Did you know that approximately \_\_\_\_\_ of the entire Bible is prophetic in nature? \_\_\_\_\_ out of every \_\_\_\_\_ verses in the New Testament has to do with eschatology.

- ***II Timothy 3:16; II Peter 1:19; Revelation 22:19***

*“Putting aside all of the excuses, the fact is, Bible prophecy both demands and deserves serious, thoughtful, and continual examination!”*

- **What is prophecy?** *Prophecy is simply \_\_\_\_\_ recorded in \_\_\_\_\_ by an all knowing, all powerful God who is not limited by time or space!*
- ***II Peter 1:21; Isaiah 48:3, 5***

**Simple Guidelines for Testing Prophecy**

1. Prophecy must always \_\_\_\_\_ . (Isaiah 8:20)
2. Prophecy must always \_\_\_\_\_ . (Deuteronomy 18:22)
3. Prophecy must always \_\_\_\_\_ . (Deuteronomy 13:1-3; I John 4:1-3)

- ***Jeremiah 28:9; Isaiah 66:24; II Corinthians 5:10; Titus 2:13***

- Where you \_\_\_\_\_ with the \_\_\_\_\_ determines how you will \_\_\_\_\_ God’s prophecy of the \_\_\_\_\_!

- ***Revelation 1:1-3***

**Reasons Why We Should Study Bible Prophecy**

**1. Prophecy Reveals The \_\_\_\_\_ Of God**

*“Satan has conspired to dethrone the God of the universe and seat himself above the stars of God (Isaiah 14) along with his Antichrist (II Thessalonians 2) on the throne in Jerusalem.”*

- Satan would like to have the world believe that he is a victorious god, but in reality, he has already been \_\_\_\_\_ and has been sentenced to \_\_\_\_\_!
- ***Revelation 11:15; Psalm 146:10***
- What is the grandest scene within the prophetic scope of the book of Revelation?

## 2. Prophecy Is A Of The Word Of God

- There are two things that *fulfilled prophecy* does in relationship to the Bible that serve as a powerful authentication of its claim to be the Word of God:
  - *It demonstrates the* \_\_\_\_\_ *of the Bible*
    - \* *Daniel 9:24-25; Micah 5:2; Isaiah 7:14; Psalm 22; Isaiah 53; Psalm 16:9-11*
    - \* The accuracy of biblical prophecy stands as one of the great evidences of the \_\_\_\_\_ nature of the Bible!
  - *It demonstrates the* \_\_\_\_\_ *of the Bible*
    - \* Fulfilled Bible prophecy offers the clearest indication that the Bible is indeed the \_\_\_\_\_ Word of God!
    - \* *Isaiah 46:9-11*
    - \* Prophecy is God's signature on both the world's \_\_\_\_\_ and its \_\_\_\_\_!
    - \* *Isaiah 42:9; Revelation 22:13*

### Conclusion:

*If God could be typecast as a failure in the immensely critical field of prophecy, then of what \_\_\_\_\_ would any of His \_\_\_\_\_ be?*