

Daily Devotional, November 20, 2020 Seek Ye First

But in the days when the seventh angel is about to sound his trumpet, the mystery of God will be accomplished, just as he announced to his servants the prophets.” Revelation 10:7 (NIV)

Have you ever been confused by things the Bible says? Or have you ever left a church service with more questions than answers? Or how about a Bible study that left you equally stymied?

Honestly, I hope that you have. I think that it's good to care enough about what God is saying in His Word and through His servants in the church, whether through organized Bible study, or through a sermon. It is good that we allow those questions to come forward. Do you know why?

It's because, when we have questions, we'll look for answers. We'll dig even further into scripture. We'll pray for direction. We'll talk to other believers to see if maybe they've learned the answer to our questions. And then when they tell us the answer, we'll go back to the Bible and test their answer to see if it checks out with God's authority in regard to truth.

I love questions. I love them because you can never have answers unless you have questions. A person with a lot of questions will become wise and intelligent over time if they do their fair amount of searching and seeking answers. But here's the thing about questions: we'll always have more, no matter what.

That's right. No matter how deep we go into the mysteries of God, there will always be more questions. No matter how much we know the Bible, we'll never know it all.

This could be frustrating for many of us, but here's some good news-a day is coming in which the mysteries of God will be finished. And this day is not far off.

Whether we realize it or not, we're in the last days before Jesus' return, which will mark the beginning of the Great Tribulation. Will that be this year or 100 years from now? According to the Book of Revelation, During that Great Tribulation, God will send seven angels to blow trumpets. Mind you, that could be 100 years away, it could be far longer! The last of these angels, when he blows his trumpet, is going to hold it out for a loooooong blast.

This long note will usher in the final things of the Tribulation-the bowl judgments, the five visions that John saw, and eventually Jesus' return to conquer and rule the earth. It will also mark the end of something very important- the mystery of God.

What does that mean? It means that, no matter how ignorant we are now, we have the promise of knowing God fully, even as He fully knows us. It means that all of these questions that we have now, all the times that you have said, I can't wait to ask God this when I get to Heaven, all of these will be answered. The mystery will be revealed!

So if you have questions about God, seek Him for answers. And for all those questions that just never get answered, just wait; a day is coming when God will answer all your questions.

Prayer: God, I confess that I have a lot of questions, and some of them are even painful and unsettling, even hard to ask. Thank You for the hope of Your promise that one day the mystery will be over, and You will give me the answers I need. In the name of Christ, I pray. Amen