

Many believe, that Christianity as a dominant *social* force is spent and that its great opponent, secular humanism, is in free-fall.

Our culture is reaching a tipping point of momentous implications where the "New Spirituality" may well represent the next phase of the faith and practice of modern autonomous humanity, whose goal is nothing less than the construction of a new Sodom and Babel.

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2 Peter 1:16-21

16 For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty.

17 For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased,"

18 we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain.

19 And we have the prophetic word more fully confirmed, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts,

20 knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation.

21 For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

God Almighty has given to us, through imperfect people, His perfect, infallible

God's Trustworthy, Prophetic Word

THE MYTHS OF MAN REJECT IT (v. 16)

It is likely that the false teachers claimed that the incarnation, resurrection, and coming kingdom the apostles spoke about were only "cleverly invented" stories, fables about the gods".

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Myth #1 Personal Success

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Myth #4 Universal Eternal Bliss

THE VOICE OF THE FATHER

Listen to it (v. 17-18)

1 John 1:1-4

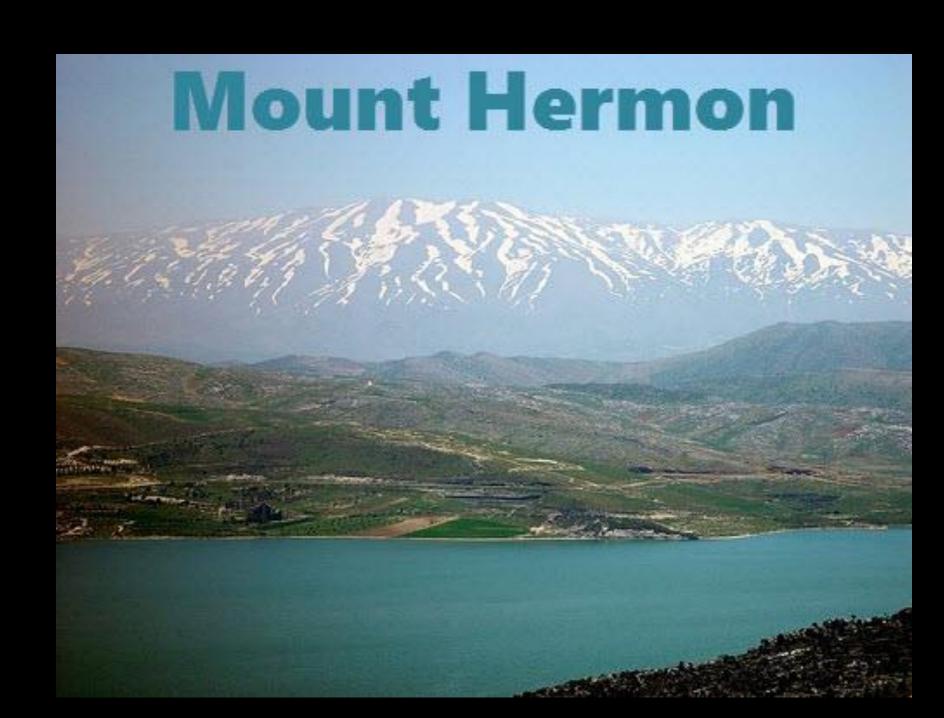
That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— 2 the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us—3 that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. ⁴ And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

The VOICE from heaven...

Luke 3:21-22

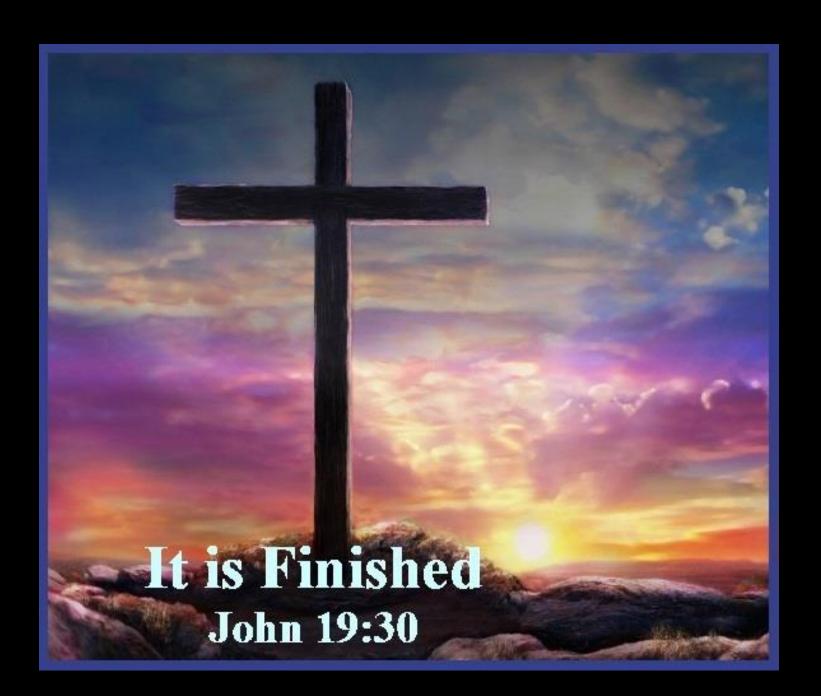
Luke 9:28-36

John 12:27-29



...the honor is the public acknowledgement of his Sonship and the glory is the transfiguration of the humiliated Son into his glorious splendor...The scene showed Jesus as Messiah and was a preview of Jesus' glory as King."

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THE WORDS OF THE PROPHETS

TRUST IT

(v. 19-21)

...it was not through a process of dictation or through ecstasy that the writers of scripture spoke but through the control of the Spirit of God.

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Revelation 22:16

¹⁶ "I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

Psalm 119:105

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

Romans 13: 11-14

11 Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. 12 The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. 13 Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. 14 But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Christianity is a religion of a Book. Christianity is based upon the impregnable rock of Holy Scripture...

Upon the foundation of the Divine inspiration of the Bible stands or falls the entire edifice of Christian truth. "If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?" (Ps 11:3) Surrender the dogma of verbal inspiration and you are left like the rudderless ship on a stormy sea - at the mercy of every wind that blows. Deny that the Bible is, without any qualification, the very word of God, and you are left without any ultimate standard of measurement and without supreme authority.