

CONCERNING THIS SALVATION

1 Peter 1:10-12

God's unfolding plan requires patience and faith.

When Scripture is hard to understand, keep studying it as best you can.

- The prophets spoke of a glorious messiah to come.
- The prophets spoke of a suffering messiah to come.
- The prophets had trouble piecing it all together.

"I heard, but I did not understand. So I asked, 'My lord, what will the outcome of all this be?'"
(Daniel 12:8).

When Scripture is hard to understand, let God unravel the mysteries in his own time.

- The Spirit of Christ inspired the prophets to write.
- The Spirit of Christ reassured the prophets to wait.
- The Spirit of Christ empowered the apostles to preach the gospel.

"Now we see but a poor reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known." (1 Corinthians 13:12)

When Scripture is hard to understand, know that Jesus is the center of all of it.

- The followers of Christ have much to celebrate now.
- The followers of Christ have much to look forward to in the future.
- Even angels are intrigued by God's unfolding plan.

"And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself" (Luke 24:27).