

The Eternal Word

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“Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away” (Matthew 24:35).

It is quite impossible to promise that your “words” will never pass away unless you are **eternal** yourself! But that is exactly what Jesus claims for Himself and what the New Testament says about Him. He is indeed eternal God. **We** are the mortal ones, the finite ones, the dependent ones. Sometimes in our wealthy world we tend to think that we are more than that.

John the Baptist testified of Jesus: *“He who comes from above is above all; he who is of the earth is earthly and speaks of the earth. He who comes from heaven is above all”* (Jn. 3:31). Jesus came from heaven to testify of things from there. No man has ever done that.

The apostle Paul explained the human condition in 1 Corinthians 15: *“The first man was of the earth, made of dust; the second Man is the Lord from heaven. As was the man of dust, so also are those who are made of dust; and as is the heavenly Man, so also are those who are heavenly”* (vv. 47-48). Man is literally made from the dust of the earth, and is an earthly being in body, experience and understanding. The “second Man” (Jesus) came from heaven to reveal to us all things that God wants us to know about heaven.

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God” (Jn. 1:1). At the end of His earthly ministry, Jesus boldly proclaimed, *“Before Abraham was, **I AM**”* (Jn. 8:58). It was beyond the Jews’ comprehension to know that Jesus of Nazareth, seemingly only a Man, was in fact, equal to God the Father, and thus deserving of the title **“I AM.”** That Name means “the eternally existing one.” Because of that quality, Jesus has an eternal Word, and an eternal Kingdom, both of which shall never pass away. They shall stand forever.

Dear friend, if you are looking for a **solid foundation**, then come to Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the eternal Word, the I AM.

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