

# A MORE SURE WORD OF PROPHECY

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Throughout all ages, one thing has remained constant – God’s Word has shined into the darkness and dispelled the darkness. God has made His Word known several ways; the spoken Word, the Word written in the heavens, and the Word written on paper. The heavens and the earth were created by the spoken Word of God.

**Hebrews 11:3** Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.

**Genesis 1:3** And God said . . .

**1:6** And God said . . .

**1:9** And God said . . .

**1:11** And God said . . .

**1:14** And God said . . .

**1:20** And God said . . .

**1:24** And God said . . .

**1:26** And God said . . .

**1:29** And God said . . .

God said it and it came to pass. In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth by speaking the Word of God. In the New Testament Greek, we have the word “logos” which means the spoken Word or utterance. This was the original Word of God in the beginning – the spoken “logos.”

**John 1:1** In the beginning was the Word, [logos] and the Word [logos] was with God, and the Word [logos] was God.

You cannot separate God and his Word. God backs up His Word. When God speaks His Word, He speaks of Himself.

**Psalms 138:2** I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for thy loving kindness and for thy truth: for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name.

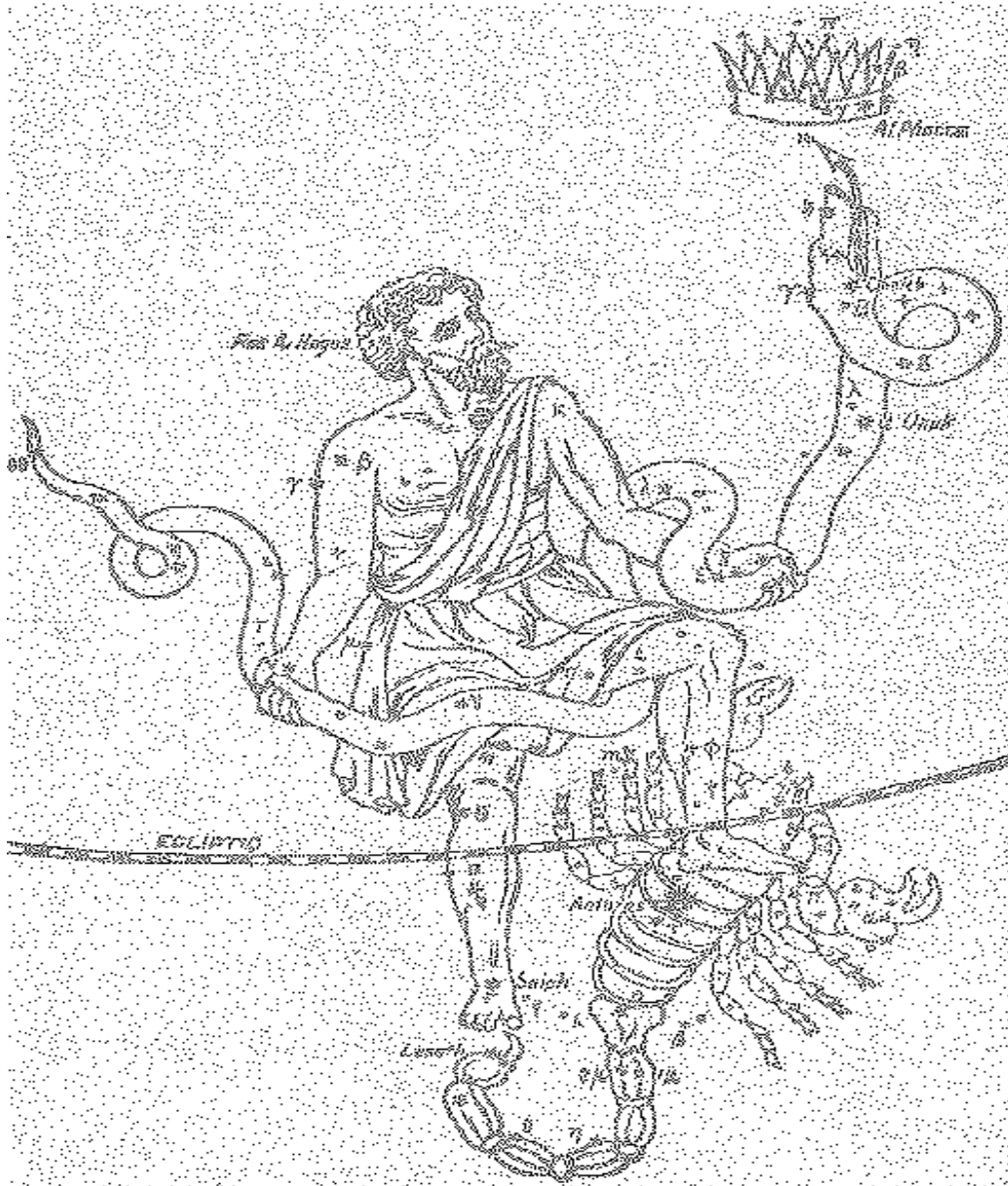
God has even magnified His Word above all of His name. God’s Word is like a check – it is only as good as the name that is signed at the bottom line. God’s Word is as good as His name. Of all of the great things, that God has created the greatest is His Word. In fact, without the Word of God, nothing would have ever been created.

In the original paradise, God had a direct relationship with Adam and Eve whereby God gave them the Word directly by revelation. When Adam and Eve fell, they lost their original relationship with God. But after the fall, God did not leave them alone. God then taught them the Word written in the stars.

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**Genesis 3:15** And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

Here in Genesis 3:15 God begins to teach Adam the Word written in the stars. God showed Adam the story of the redemption of mankind, the story of the second Adam, the story of Jesus Christ. Man had the hope of the first coming of Jesus Christ. Every night man could see the story of redemption written in the heavens.



The constellations Scorpio and Ophiuchus together are Genesis 3:15 written in the stars. It shows The Son of God bruising the head of the adversary and it shows the adversary bruising Jesus Christ's heel. God could have never taught this truth of the Word written in the stars and the redemption of man while Adam was still in paradise, because it would have been cruel to show Adam that he would fall would

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and need to be redeemed by the second Adam, Jesus Christ. But after Adam fell God made it known to mankind the story of Jesus Christ, man's redeemer so that Adam had hope for the future.

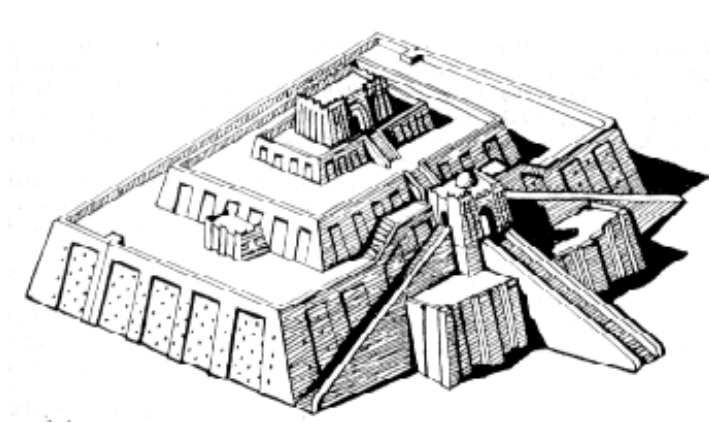
**Psalm 19:1** To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David. The heavens [continue to] declare the glory of God; and the firmament [expanse] sheweth his handiwork.

**19:2** Day unto day uttereth speech, [speaks prophetically] and night unto night sheweth [sets forth] knowledge.

**19:3** *There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard.*

Even to this day the Word of God is written in the heavens, although most of us don't know how to read it. The heavens continue to declare the story of Jesus Christ.

The Word of God is written in the heavens. All of the early cultures of the world knew this. Slowly the adversary corrupted this truth into mythology to the end that today a lot of this truth has been lost and replaced with mythology and astrology. This mythology changed the truth of the story of Jesus Christ into the lies of astrological predictions. Even before written languages the Word of God was written in the heavens. All of the early religions of the world incorporated astronomy into their beliefs.



The Ziggurat from ancient Babylon is one of the oldest known buildings. It was used for religious astronomy.

In our day and time, we have television, so people don't usually spend much time watching the stars. Before television people had radio, and before that people read books. But there was a time when there were no written languages, that is when people would look up into the sky and they could see the story of Jesus Christ written in the stars.

**19:4** Their line [direction or measuring] is gone out through all the earth, and their words [teachings] to the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle [house, zodiac] for the sun,

The Word of God is what we use to measure truth and error and here the Word of God is the standard that everything is measured by.

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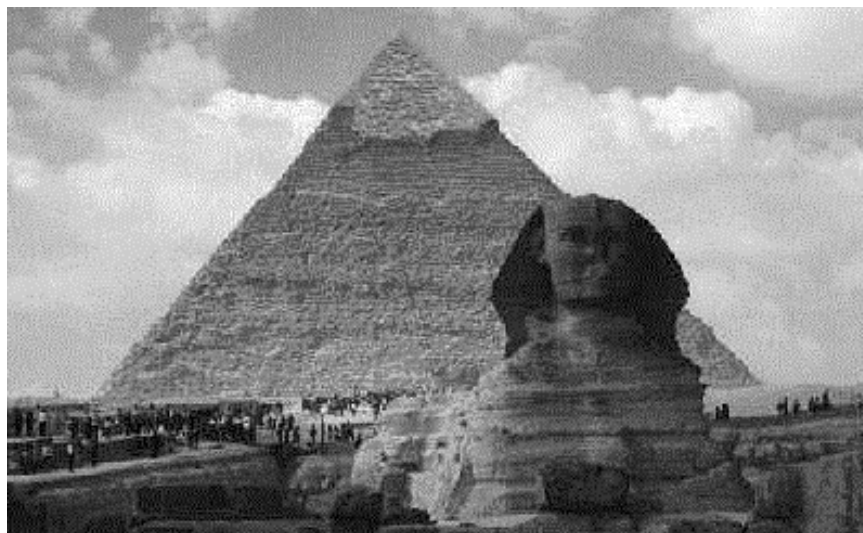
**19:5** Which *is* as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, *and* rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race.

**19:6** His going forth *is* from the end of the heaven, and his circuit unto the ends of it: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.

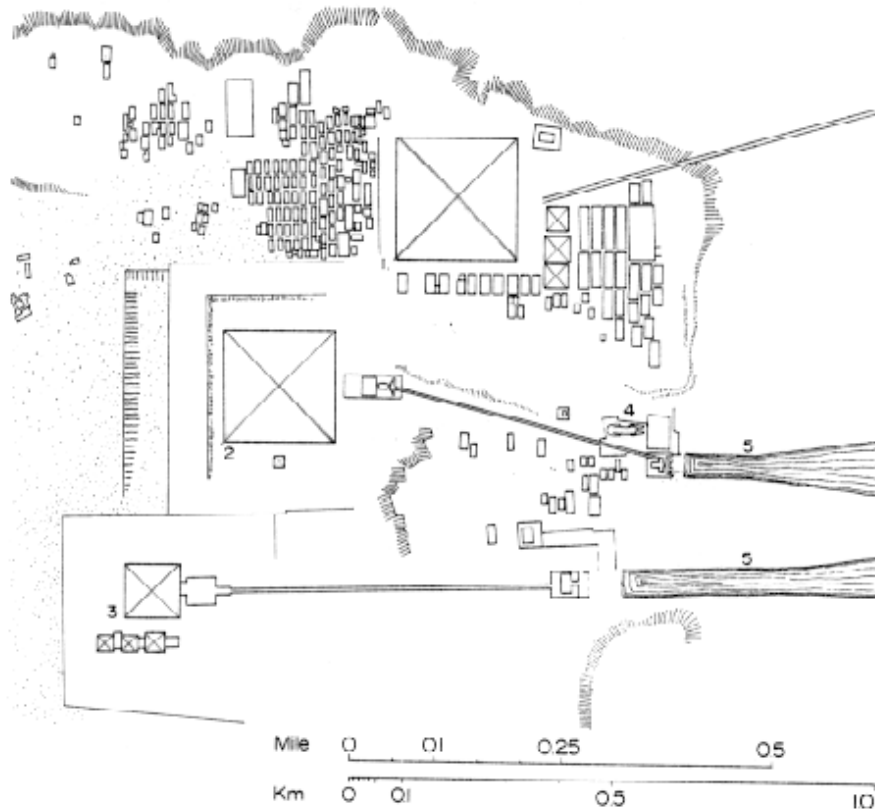
**19:7** The law of the LORD *is* perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD *is* sure, making wise the simple.



E. W. Bullinger in his book “The Witness of the Stars” claimed that the Sphinx was the representation of the beginning and the ending of the zodiac. It has the head of a woman (Virgo) and the body of a lion (Leo). It has now come to light that the sphinx is much older than the pyramids and that the head appears to have been recarved at a later date, seeing how the head is smaller and less worn as the rest of the body. It may be that the original sphinx was just a lion representing the constellation Leo.



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Here the pyramids of Giza are arranged in the exact same pattern as the three stars that make up Orion's belt. Orion is one of the easiest constellations to recognize. The ancient Egyptians incorporated astronomy into their religious beliefs. Even the false and pagan religions knew that there was a spiritual significance to the constellations.

It would be very exciting to be able to read the Word of God in the stars, to learn more about Jesus Christ. But it would be even better to have walked and talked with Jesus Christ personally or to have heard the voice of God from heaven saying, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." Jesus Christ studied, believed, and acted upon God's Word to the point that he became the Word in the flesh.

**John 1:14** And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

**Luke 24:32** And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he [Jesus Christ] opened to us the scriptures?

Walking and talking with Jesus Christ would have been one of the greatest experiences in the history of the world. No man has ever mastered the scriptures the way that Jesus Christ did. That is how he became

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the Word in the flesh. He was the perfect man, the Son of God, he worked the Word of God and then he made it his own and made his life line up with the Word of God, to the end that he could say “not my will but thine, be done” Luke 22:42, “he that hath seen me hath seen the Father” John 14:9, and “I and my Father are one.” John 10:30.

**John 21:25** And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written every one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written. Amen.

Truly spending time with the Son of God would be a monumental experience. His wisdom, his love, and his teachings would be breathtaking to behold.

**John 9:5** As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.

**John 14:6** Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

**Luke 10:23** And he [Jesus Christ] turned him unto *his* disciples, and said privately, Blessed *are* the eyes which see the things that ye see:

**Luke 10:24** For I tell you, that many prophets and kings have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen *them*; and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard *them*.

Moses, David, Elijah, and others desired to see the things that Jesus Christ had made plain to his disciples. When Jesus Christ was upon the earth operating his ministry, it was one of the greatest times in all of history.

It would be great to be able to read and understand the Word of God written in the stars, to recover the ancient truths. It would have been ever better to have walked and talked with the Son of God Jesus Christ when he was operating his earthly ministry. But there is something greater available today.

**2 Peter 1:16-21** For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of his majesty.

**1:17** For he received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

**1:18** And this voice which came from heaven we heard, when we were with him in the holy mount.

**1:19** We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts:

**1:20** Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.

**1:21** For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake *as*

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*they were* moved by the Holy Ghost.

The written Word of God that we have today is greater than reading the Word in the stars and greater than being with Jesus Christ in the first century. We have the written Word that details how to get born again, how to operate nine manifestations of holy spirit, how to earn eternal rewards, and more.

**1 Peter 1:10** Of which salvation the prophets have inquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace *that should come* unto you:

**1:11** Searching what, or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow.

**1:12** Unto whom it was revealed, that not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister the things, which are now reported unto you by them that have preached the gospel unto you with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look into.

Even the angels of God desired to look into and see the greatness of the Word of God that is available in this day and time. The grace of God in this day and time is the greatest thing that God ever made available to man. This truth was only hinted at in the Old Testament and in the stars.

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Most of the truth of the Word of God written in the stars is either lost or misunderstood. A lot of the constellation's names and meanings have been altered by pagan mythology and astrology, to the end that very few people know anything of the Word written in the stars. Jesus Christ is seated at the right hand of God and is not currently walking around and teaching as he did in the first century. Therefore by pure logic the way to know God's will in this day and time is the written Word of God.

The written Word of God that reveals which is the greatness of the grace of God in the New Testament is a more sure word of prophecy than the Word written in the stars, and it is a more sure word of prophecy than hearing Jesus Christ himself speak the Word. In our day and time, there is nothing more sure than the written Word of God.

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