Sermon: The Magnificence of the GospelScripture: 1 Peter 1:10-12Series: 1 Peter: Hardships, Holiness, and HopeDate: September 6, 2020

OBSERVATION -- As a group, talk through and summarize the passage. Think through *Who, What, Where, When, How, Why* questions together.

INTERPRETATION -- Answer these questions together:

1) What does this passage teach us about God?

a) How does this passage show us that God's plan of salvation through Jesus has been his plan all along? And how does knowing this help you to trust God more today?

2) What does this passage teach us about us (mankind)?

- a) The angels stand in awe of the gospel without being the recipients of the gospel. What aspect of the gospel creates awe in you? OR what part of the gospel do you "long to look into" more and more?
- b) What have you been complaining about lately? Are you thankful to be living in this time of salvation? What makes this easy? Difficult?
- 3) What does this passage teach us about grace/salvation? How does it point to Christ?

 a) Why is it so important to see all of scripture as pointing to Christ? What is the danger of interpreting scripture without seeing Jesus in it?
 - b) Read 1 Peter 1:11 and 3:18. What is the gospel according to these two verses? What does this show us about our own lives in Christ? (Hint: suffering first, glory later)

APPLICATION

a) What is one practical way that you can "look into"/"stand in awe of" the gospel each day?

FIGHTER VERSES: 1 Peter 1:3-9.

PRAYER

Thank God for his salvation "Plan A" that has never changed.

Repent of ways that you have complained about these difficult days, rather than being thankful to live in this age of grace.

Ask God to help you stand in awe of the gospel each day.