

Monthly Memory Verse February 2013

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Publisher & Author Message

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Message from the publisher and author

Monthly Memory Verse and Dale's Notes

Dale's Notes are provided to be used as an encouragement to study the context from where the monthly memory verse was selected. It's my desire to provide some background information and practical understanding of some things, which I see within my own study of God's word. It's my hope through reading the notes; you will desire to study God's word in more detail.

Dale's Notes are only a layman's attempt to share the good news of our savior Jesus Christ through a monthly memory verse and the study of God's word in our daily walk with the Lord.

Brother in Jesus Christ,

Dale ☺

Dale A. Kaye

Message:

This is the fourth year for The Monthly Memory Verse and Dale's Notes and it hasn't come without its trials. I'm very thankful once again for your support and prayers. 2013 is no different than the years which have passed. Except our Lord sustain and empower the ministry there is no work to be done by our simple human effort. It's his mercy and grace we ask, and it's his glory we desire, it's His holy son Jesus Christ that deserve all credit, glory and praise. Give praise to him for your part within this ministry no matter how small it seems. If God's word is being published and Jesus Christ is truly being preach and if one person get saved or another is encourage to pursue God what praise should the Lord deserve.

Thank you Jesus Lord for this ministry and all those who participate to make it happen

Prayer request:

Please continue to pray with me in asking God to provide for this ministry: "The Monthly Memory Verse and Dale's Notes". Also, I ask your prayers and encouragement to serve in this way. Please, remember my family as we make changes in our lives to honor our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Thank you,

Dale

Quick Bio-glance

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Frances Jane Crosby

(March 24, 1820 – February 12, 1915),
Frances Jane Crosby usually known as **Fanny Crosby** in the United States and by her married name, **Frances van Alstyne**, in the United Kingdom, was an American Methodist rescue mission worker, poet, lyricist, and composer. During her lifetime, she was well-known throughout the United States. By the end of the 19th century, she was "a household name in evangelical Protestant circles" globally,^{[1][2]} and "one of the most prominent figures in American evangelical life".^[3] She became blind while an infant.

Best known for her Protestant Christian hymns and gospel songs, Crosby was "the premier hymnist of the gospel song period (ca. 1870-1920)",^[4] and one of the most prolific hymnists in history, writing over 8000,^{[5][6]} with over 100 million copies of her songs printed.^[7] Crosby was inducted into the Gospel Music Hall of Fame in 1975.^[8] Known as the "Queen of Gospel Song Writers",^[9] and as the "Mother of modern congregational singing in America",^[10] with "dozens of her hymns continue to find a place in the hymnals of Protestant evangelicalism around the world",^[11] with most American hymnals containing her work, as "with the possible exception of Isaac Watts and Charles Wesley, Crosby has generally been represented by the largest number of hymns of any writer of the twentieth century in nonliturgical hymnals".^[3] Her gospel songs were "paradigmatic of all revival music",^[3] and Ira Sankey attributed the success of the Moody and Sankey evangelical campaigns largely to Crosby's hymns.^{[12][13][14]} Some of Crosby's best-known songs include "Blessed Assurance", "Pass Me Not, O Gentle Saviour", "Jesus Is Tenderly Calling You Home", "Praise Him, Praise Him", "Rescue the Perishing", and "To God Be the Glory". Because some publishers were hesitant to have so many hymns by one person in their hymnals, Crosby used nearly 200 different pseudonyms during her career.^{[15][16][17]}

Crosby wrote over 1,000 secular poems,^[18] and had four books of poetry published, as well as two best-selling autobiographies. Crosby was the subject of at least a dozen biographies. Additionally, Crosby co-wrote popular secular songs, as well as political and patriotic songs, and at least five cantatas on biblical and patriotic themes, including *The Flower Queen*, the first secular cantata by an American composer. Crosby was committed to Christian rescue missions, and was known for her public speaking.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fanny_Crosby

Theology Term

Ad Baculum

Ad Baculum means the appeal 'to force,' using the fallacy of relevance. It is any argument which resorts to the threat, or implied threat of some force to cause the acceptance of the conclusion. As an example, the statement, 'Any scholar which doesn't support my position, I will write letters condemning their ministry,' is ad baculum.

<http://www.mountainretreat.org.net/faq/glossary.html#adbaculum>

John Gills
Exposition of the
Entire Bible

2Pe 3:10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night,.... That is, the Lord will come in that day, which he has fixed, according to his promise, than which nothing is more certain; and he will come as a thief in the night: he will come "in the night", which may be literally understood; for as his first coming was in the night; see [Luk 2:8](#); so perhaps his second coming may be in the night season; or figuratively, when it will be a time of great darkness; when there will be little faith in the earth, and both the wise and foolish virgins will be slumbering and sleeping; when it will be a season of great security, as it was in the days of Noah, and at the time of the burning of Sodom and Gomorrah. The Vulgate Latin, Syriac, and Ethiopic versions, leave out the phrase, "in the night": and the Alexandrian copy uses the emphatic article, "in the night": and he will come, "as a thief", in the dark, indiscernibly; it will not be known what hour he will come; he will come suddenly, at an unawares, when he is not expected, to the great surprise of men, and especially of the scoffers; when the following awful things will be done:

Dale's Notes

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MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

PART I

Read: 2 Peter 3:10 (KJV)

But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

The End of this World

Our beloved apostle Peter puts us in remembrance of the things to come, future things, events which will be brought about by God himself. He [Peter] reintroduces his listeners' to the fact, the word of God, the prophecies of old, which they've heard came not of man's origin or for the matter by man's doing. He [Peter] saturates the listeners' minds with the working of God, moving through holy men, to declare his [God's] purpose and plan. Yes, our memory verse is about the end of this world as we know it!

2Pe 1:20-21 Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

But Dale, that's so dark, so horrible, and so hard to grasp! You see, it's not that we don't understand the magnitude, the greatness, the power of it and the glorious will of him who is executing it; but it's the fear which is brought upon the hearts of those hear! It's the reality it will happen just as God has declared! A message like this reaches beyond the mortal body and the earthly grave. It points to the finality of those who resisted, rejected God and spurned His great love through Christ Jesus, his only begotten son! It shows the absolute removing of all things which offend God and the other verses give voice to HIS "kingdom Come thy will be done on earth as in Heaven" (*Christ will come in His Glory*).

This Work is beyond man

This work is beyond man, it comes from above and it renders all mankind and creation to succumb and adhere to His [God's] will. All must comply with Him who has executed judgment and the order of the new advent which is unfolding (*Rev. 21.1 and Rev21:4*).

The message Peter is declaring is perfectly clear, it's not abstract, there's no figurative language to decipher. The tragedy of mankind in this judgment is spelled out clearly as it was in days of Noah. It's been declared, preached and sound out so the great patience of our God's **longsuffering** and his mercies can shine forth before this final chapter of mankind is closed (*1P 3:20, 2Pe. 3:15, Rom. 2:4 and Gal 5:22*).

2Pe 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance

John Gills
Exposition of the
Entire Bible
2Pe 3:10 (Continued)
.... in the which the
heavens shall pass
away with a great
noise; not the third
heaven, the seat of
angels and glorified
saints, and even of
God himself; but the
starry and airy
heavens, which shall
pass away, not as to
their matter and
substance, but as to
some of their
accidents and
qualities, and the
present use of them;
and that with a great
noise, like that of a
violent storm, or
tempest; though the
Ethiopic version
renders it, "without a
noise"; and which is
more agreeable to his
coming as a thief,
which is not with
noise, but in as still a
manner as possible;
and some learned
men observe, that the
word signifies swiftly,
as well as with a
noise; and,
accordingly, the
Syriac version
renders it "suddenly";
and the Arabic
version "presently",
immediately; that is,
as soon as Christ
shall come,
immediately, at once,
from his face shall the
earth and heavens
flee away, as John in
a vision saw,
[Rev 20:11](#);

A look at the ending event

The events which take place are all-inclusive in that they are compressed together into one single unit known as the Day of the Lord. They're not necessarily sequential but rather suggest they are happening all at once; showing a rendering of a single act of God, a single act of judgment or a single blow to all mankind and creation (*read side notes*).

Follow me here: so the thief in the night is happening at the same time the heavens pass away with great noise and the elements thereof are melting with fervent heat. Then our eyes are brought down from heaven and we see the earth ablaze as an inferno and its entire works being torched, burned up showing complete destruction without and within.

This leaves the reader with nothing to hang onto, nothing of their own, nothing but God moving within his divine plan of judgment. The reader has to ask question is there any escape? Man knows his guilt, even the saved saint tremble in sight of such coming judgment. They know it's their God out of his place making right his universe! "Thy Kingdom Come thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven"

The understanding is all things created are as nothing in his hand and he disperses it as he pleases.

Oh mankind they were warned to be ready, so that day doesn't take them unaware. The Gospel of our savior was preached to every nation, so they wouldn't have to face such devastation, destruction and ruin. Its God's longsuffering / desire towards man that they would be saved out of the world like Noah and those who were shut up in the ark of safety until all danger had passed but they would not.

The example given in the bible is the comparison of the fiery judgment brought upon Sodom and Gomorrah which had such devastation that nothing remains to this day.

Our apostle Peter doesn't write this without love and concern. Just the opposite is true. It's with complete love and full of mercy and grace of our God that he [Peter] implores them to pursue the Lord Jesus Christ through holiness. But to them which stand outside of Christ, it's a call to repentance, to turn from their sin and embrace Jesus Christ through faith in the gospel being preach them to flee God coming Judgment.

To be continued in Part 2.

Prayer

Thank you heavenly Father for granting us sight to see you through your holy truth. Thank you, Father in giving your son Jesus Christ in such a wonderful way. Thank you Father for your forgiveness to such sinners and giving the light of life. What joy it is to know Jesus, what joy it is to know the love of God. Blessed are you O'Lord, blessed is your great and holy name! Amen!