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GOD'S WORD NEVER CHANGES

Hebrews 13: 8, Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and for ever. Isn't it a comfort in this day that we live in with things changing at pace we can't keep up with, that there is rock we can hold to that does not change. Jesus is the same today as he was in the beginning. God's word is the same now as it was in the beginning. **Isaiah 40: 7 & 8, The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: because the spirit of the Lord bloweth upon it: surely the people are as grass. The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever.** Is not that the truth we are like grass and flowers of the field. One moment we are standing tall and proud of our accomplishments next, we are cut down and feeling as we are not amounting to what we should be. And God is with us the whole time unchanging always loving us no matter what we are feeling, an unchanging rock. Jesus is the rock of our salvation, though he was rejected by the world and even his own people, God's promised Son has become the chief corner stone of God's building (church). **Psalms 118: 22-23 The stone which the builders refused is become the head stone of the corner. This the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.** This is the day that was promised from the beginning even as we read in Genesis after Adam and Eve had sinned and disobeyed God and ate of the forbidden fruit. **Genesis 3: 14 & 15 And the Lord God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life. 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.** There is the promise of a savior (Jesus) God's son who he sent here to bruise the head of the serpent the devil which happened on the cross when He took all the sins of whole world and became guilty of them and was executed for all the sins of the world. So, we sinful men could now stand before God clean and without sin. This is the day the Lord has made, and we can rejoice and be glad in it. This is the rock (Jesus Christ) that is the same yesterday today and forever. Now dear brother and sister do you know this savior, this rock, unchanging from the beginning of time. We come to know Jesus by seeking him in God's word. **Matthew 7: 7 & 8 Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. Romans 10: 13&17 For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.** And let it be known that it is not our sin that keeps us from God but it is the lack of believing by faith that what Jesus did for us is for us, me, you, and all mankind. **Romans 15: 13 Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing that ye may abound in hope through the power of the Holy Ghost.** God help us through faith to know the peace and joy that is ours in knowing JESUS! And JESUS is the rock that is unchanging that is a anchor forever. **Timothy 1: 17 Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen.**

Love and God's peace, Ken Matson