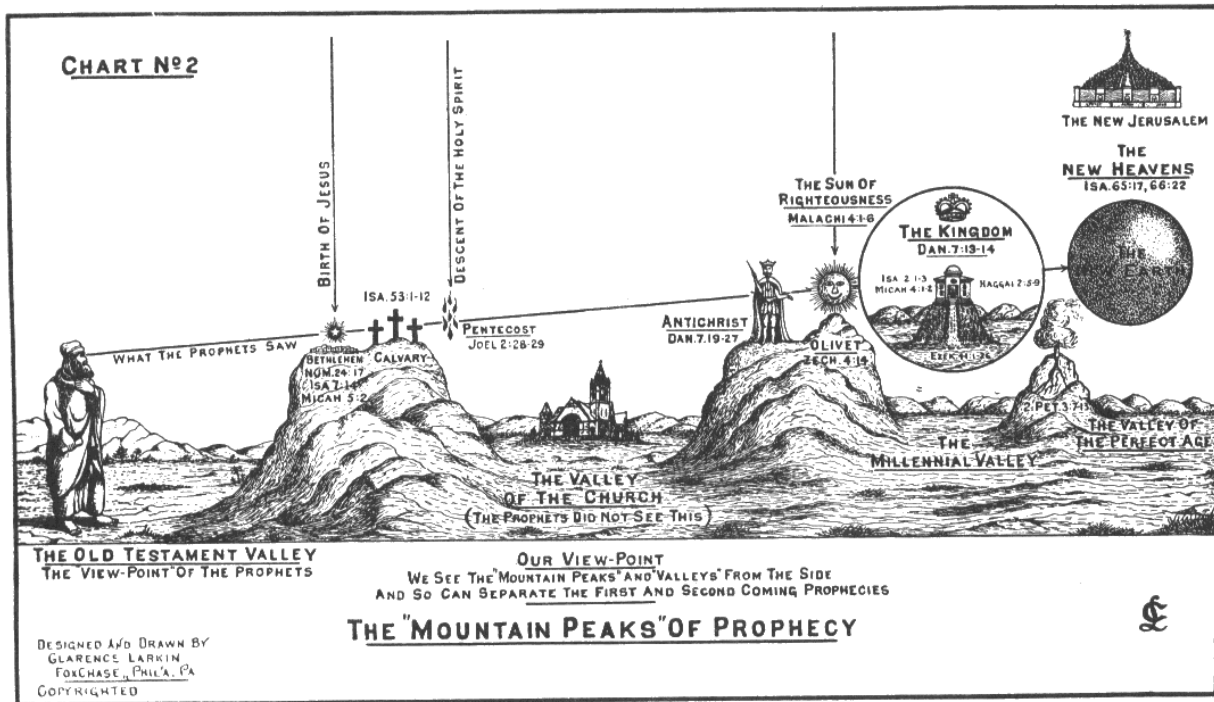# *RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD OF TRUTH #2*

cf. Acts 1:1-8, Romans 16:25, 26

- God chose to reveal mysteries to the apostle Paul that unlock a great _____ of Bible prophecy.

- Living in this present age, we gain great insight on the Old Testament prophecies of Jesus Christ since we have the advantage of looking _____ at fulfilled prophecies while at the same time looking _____ to unfulfilled prophecies.

RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE FIRST & SECOND COMING OF CHRIST

So many prophecies in the Old Testament concerning Jesus Christ include details about his first and second coming, yet they appear in a verse as if they are a _____ event. Only by rightly dividing God's word can we distinguish the events of Christ _____ and the events of Christ's _____.

==**EXAMPLE #1 - cf. Isaiah 9:6, 7**== - Notice that the _____ after the word "given" separates the first and second coming of Christ.

- **First Coming** - Christ was BORN, Christ (the Son) was GIVEN (cf. John 3:16)

- **Second Coming** - Christ will _____ ("the government…"), Christ will be _____ ("his name…"), and Christ will _____ ("with judgment and with justice").

- Notice the first coming of Christ in verse _____ and the second coming of Christ in verse _____.
- **First Coming** - the King rode into Jerusalem _____

- **Second Coming** - the King will ride into Jerusalem

  _____

  - We know that v. 10 has not been fulfilled because the earthly _____ of Jesus Christ has not yet been established.

The Lord Jesus Christ Himself quotes this passage, but He intentionally _____ at a certain point.

- **cf. Luke 4:16-21**
  - Jesus Christ closed the book after quoting only _____ of verse 2 and _____ of verse 3. Why? He fulfilled verse 1 and the first half of verse 2 at His _____ coming, but the remainder will not be fulfilled until He returns the _____ time.

  - The _____ after "LORD" in verse 2 represents the last 2,000 years (approximately).

What time period separates the first and second coming of Christ? _____ - this was not revealed to the Old Testament prophets, but it was revealed to _____ so that you and I would KNOW what has come to pass, and what is still to come!