

It Came To Pass

Introduction:

1. 452 verses include the phrase of our title. As the song proclaims, "Time is filled with swift transition...."
2. Sometimes our life is like that - filled with change. Some good, some bad.

Discussion:

I. Biblical Examples of Change

1. Genesis 3 - a life of peace in the garden, to a life of sin outside
2. Genesis 6 - a family in the midst of the world to 8 souls in the ark
3. Genesis 11 - a world with one language travelling together to a people with differing languages scatters abroad
4. On and on the changes go!

What determined whether the changes were ultimately good or bad? ...
cf. Deuteronomy 11:26-28

II. What of our lives today?

1. One generation passeth away, and another generation cometh..."
(Ecclesiastes 1:4)
2. While we are that generation, much "comes to pass"!
3. Remember, in the changes we find in God's Word, they were either bad or good transitions. What determines whether the changes in our life are ultimately good or bad?
 - (1) Romans 8:28
 - (2) Matthew 6:19-33

Conclusion:

1. Each person here will face many changes in our life. If we were to write our biography it, like the Word of God, would contain many times the phrase, "it came to pass."
2. We began talking about the song lyrics - "time if filled with swift transition." The chorus gives us the answer to survive these changes – "hold to God's unchanging hand!"
3. What choices are you and I making in our relationship with God so that we can be assured that the changes "will work together for good"? "Am I one who can be described by Paul's words, one who loves God?"