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Our Unchanging Light

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ISAIAH 40:8

When I was in grade school, our class took an adventure to see a historical masterpiece in Los Angeles. I knew the traveling display was important, but it wasn't until more recent years—after reading its history—that I began to understand its profound impact.

Isaiah 40:8 reminds us, “The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of our God endures forever.”

There in a simple glass display case, the scrolls seemed so unassuming, so ordinary. Yet far from that plain exhibit, the discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls shook the world.

As the story goes, Juma was growing nervous. Some of his goats had climbed too high up the cliffs. Determined to bring them back, he began his ascent. Little did he know that on that January day in 1947, his stray goats would lead him to one of the greatest archaeological discoveries of the twentieth century.

The scrolls those young Bedouin herders removed from a dark cave would come to be recognized as the greatest manuscript treasure ever found. They revolutionized biblical scholarship by providing Hebrew Bible manuscripts over a thousand years older than any previously known—confirming the remarkable integrity of Scripture through the ages.

From a quiet cave to the eyes of the world, the journey of those scrolls testifies to a promise of Jesus that cannot be broken: "Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away." — Matthew 24:35

The enduring nature of God's Word is beautifully expressed in a Brandon Lake style song "Your Word":

"When the night feels heavy, when my heart can't see, I turn to the pages – You speak to me. A lamp for my footsteps, a light on my way; Your truth never falters, it won't fade away. Your Word stands forever – unshaken, alive. Stronger than the storm, it will always survive. Every promise written, every line is true, Heaven and earth may pass, but Your Word carries through."

From a shepherd's cave to a child's heart, the Word of God has never lost its power or purity. Centuries may pass, kingdoms may crumble, but His truth remains unshaken.

When life feels uncertain or faith seems fragile, we can cling to His eternal Word—our unchanging light in a world that constantly fades.

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