

So then, those who had received his word were baptized; and that day there were added about three thousand souls. They were continually devoting themselves to the *apostles' teaching* and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. (Acts 2:41-47)

Why the Apostles' Teaching?

My Witnesses

He had by the Holy Spirit given orders to the apostles... "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth." (Acts 1:1-8)

Therefore it is necessary that of the men who have accompanied us all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us -- beginning with the baptism of John until the day that He was taken up from us -- one of these must become a witness with us of His resurrection. (Acts 1:21-22)

Jesus Prayed For The Apostles And...

I do not ask on behalf of these alone, but for those also who believe in Me through their word. (John 17:20)

Jesus Told the Apostles

These things I have spoken to you while abiding with you. But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you. (John 14:25-26)

When the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, that is the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify about Me, and you will testify also, because you have been with Me from the beginning. (John 15:26-27)

Two Witnesses: The Apostles & The Holy Spirit

For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy. (Rev 19:10)

Having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the corner stone. (Eph 2:19-22)

Checks & Balances

Let two or three prophets speak, and let the others pass judgment. But if a revelation is made to another who is seated, the first one must keep silent. For you can all prophesy one by one, so that all may learn and all may be exhorted; and the spirits of prophets are subject to prophets. (1 Cor 14:29-32)

Therefore, beloved, since you look for these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, spotless and blameless, and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation; just as also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdom given him, wrote to you, as also in all his letters, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which the untaught and unstable distort, as they do also the rest of the Scriptures, to their own destruction. (2 Peter 3:14-16)

All Scripture

You, however, continue in the things you have learned and become convinced of, knowing from whom you have learned them, and that from childhood you have known the sacred writings which are able to give you the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work. (2 Tim 3:14-17)

So we have the prophetic word made more sure, to which you do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star arises in your hearts. But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God. (2 Peter 1:19-21)

Read & Discover: 1 Cor 13:8-13; James 1:19-25; 2 Cor 3:17-18

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