

Question: “Does God, today, speak directly to people through angels and voices from Heaven?”

Answer:

The only way God speaks to people today is through His Son, Christ Jesus. “God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds” (He 1:1-2).

The Holy Spirit gave to the apostles the words of Christ. Jesus told the apostles, “However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you. All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore I said that He will take of Mine and declare it to you” (Jn 16:13-15).

The apostles gave us everything we need to know in the sacred text. “His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue” (2Pe 1:3).

The Scriptures give wisdom for salvation and training for service. “...The Holy Scriptures...are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work” (2Ti 3:15-17).

The gospel is a system of faith once delivered to the saints. “Beloved...I found it necessary to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints” (Jd 1:3).

The gospel of Jesus Christ will remain until the end of time. “...Having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever...the grass withers, and its flower falls away, but the word of the Lord endures forever. Now this is the word which by the gospel was preached to you” (1Pe 1:23, 25).

We are not to preach anything other than what the apostles taught. But even if we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel to you than what we have preached to you, let him be accursed” (Ga 1:8). The things which you learned and received and heard and saw in me, these do, and the God of peace will be with you” (Ph 4:9).

If people say they hear voices comforting or directing them, it does little good to argue with them. But based on the passages above, can they be certain these voices are from God? Even the Devil appears as an angel of light (2Co 11:14). After all, what would an angel need to say to us that God has not already said? There are people, I fear, who need to invent something outside the Bible to soothe their minds since they refuse to obey the Scriptures.

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