

**Introduction****1 Samuel 9:9**

<sup>9</sup>(Formerly in Israel, when a man went to inquire of God, he spoke thus: “Come, let us go to the seer”; for *he who is now called* a prophet was formerly called a seer.)

**2 Peter 1:21**

<sup>21</sup>for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke *as they were* moved by the Holy Spirit.

**1. Revelation 12:17**

<sup>17</sup>And the dragon was enraged with the woman, and he went to make war with the rest of her offspring, who keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.

**Revelation 14:12**

<sup>12</sup>Here is the patience of the saints; here are those who keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus.

**1a. Revelation 19:10**

<sup>10</sup>And I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me, “See *that you do not do that!* I am your fellow servant, and of your brethren who have the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.”

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| <b>Answer:</b> The “testimony of Jesus” is “the spirit of prophecy”. |
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**1b. Revelation 1:1, 2**

<sup>1</sup>The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show His servants—things which must shortly take place. And He sent and signified *it* by His angel to His servant John, <sup>2</sup>who bore witness to the word of God, and to the testimony of Jesus Christ, to all things that he saw.

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| <b>Answer:</b> The “testimony of Jesus Christ” is the Revelation of Jesus Christ. |
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**Summary:****1 Corinthians 12:4-10**

<sup>4</sup>There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. <sup>5</sup>There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord. <sup>6</sup>And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all. <sup>7</sup>But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit *of all*: <sup>8</sup>for to one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit, to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup>to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healings by the same Spirit, <sup>10</sup>to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another discerning of spirits, to another *different* kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues.

**Ephesians 4:8-11**

<sup>8</sup>Therefore He says:

*"When He ascended on high,  
He led captivity captive,  
And gave gifts to men."*

<sup>9</sup>(Now this, "*He ascended*"—what does it mean but that He also first descended into the lower parts of the earth? <sup>10</sup>He who descended is also the One who ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things.)

<sup>11</sup>And He Himself gave some *to be* apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers,

**2a. Amos 3:7**

<sup>7</sup> Surely the Lord GOD does nothing,  
Unless He reveals His secret to His servants the prophets.

**Answer:** God reveals what He is going to do to His prophets before He actually does what He plans on doing.

**2b. Hosea 12:13**

<sup>13</sup>By a prophet the Lord brought Israel out of Egypt,  
And by a prophet he was preserved.

**Answer:** God used a prophet (Moses) to bring Israel out of Egypt and to guide them through the wilderness on their way to Canan.

**2c. 2 Chronicles 20:20**

<sup>20</sup>So they rose early in the morning and went out into the Wilderness of Tekoa; and as they went out, Jehoshaphat stood and said, "Hear me, O Judah and you inhabitants of Jerusalem: Believe in the Lord your God, and you shall be established; believe His prophets, and you shall prosper."

**Answer:** God reveals His truths about life and salvation through His prophets.

**2d. Proverbs 29:18**

<sup>18</sup> Where *there is* no revelation, the people cast off restraint;  
But happy *is* he who keeps the law.

**Answer:** Prophets call people back to the safety of the law.

**3a. Numbers 12:6**

<sup>6</sup>Then He said,  
“Hear now My words:  
If there is a prophet among you,  
I, the Lord, make Myself known to him in a vision;  
I speak to him in a dream.

**Answer:** Visions and dreams.

**3b. Daniel 8:16, 17**

<sup>16</sup>And I heard a man's voice between *the banks of* the Ulai, who called, and said, “Gabriel, make this *man* understand the vision.” <sup>17</sup>So he came near where I stood, and when he came I was afraid and fell on my face; but he said to me, “Understand, son of man, that the vision *refers* to the time of the end.”

**Daniel 9:21-23**

<sup>21</sup>yes, while I *was* speaking in prayer, the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, reached me about the time of the evening offering. <sup>22</sup>And he informed *me*, and talked with me, and said, “O Daniel, I have now come forth to give you skill to understand. <sup>23</sup>At the beginning of your supplications the command went out, and I have come to tell *you*, for you *are* greatly beloved; therefore consider the matter, and understand the vision:

**Answer:** The angel Gabriel came and spoke to Daniel and told him what God wanted him to know.

**3c. Exodus 3:1-6**

<sup>1</sup>Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian. And he led the flock to the back of the desert, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. <sup>2</sup>And the Angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire from the midst of a bush. So he looked, and behold, the bush was burning with fire, but the bush was not consumed. <sup>3</sup>Then Moses said, “I will now turn aside and see this great sight, why the bush does not burn.”

**Acts 9:3-6**

<sup>3</sup>As he journeyed he came near Damascus, and suddenly a light shone around him from heaven. <sup>4</sup>Then he fell to the ground, and heard a voice saying to him, “**Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?**”  
<sup>5</sup>And he said, “Who are You, Lord?”  
Then the Lord said, “**I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. It is hard for you to kick against the goads.**”  
<sup>6</sup>So he, trembling and astonished, said, “Lord, what do You want me to do?”  
Then the Lord said to him, “**Arise and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do.**”

**Answers:** God spoke to Moses through the “burning bush” and to Paul through the “light from heaven”.

**4a. Joel 2:28-31**

- <sup>28</sup> “And it shall come to pass afterward  
That I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh;  
Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
Your old men shall dream dreams,  
Your young men shall see visions.  
<sup>29</sup> And also on My menservants and on My maidservants  
I will pour out My Spirit in those days.  
<sup>30</sup> “And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth:  
Blood and fire and pillars of smoke.  
<sup>31</sup> The sun shall be turned into darkness,  
And the moon into blood,  
Before the coming of the great and awesome day of the Lord.

**Answer:** In the time of the end, when the signs of the end will be taking place (sun darkened and the moon turns blood red) God will give both men and women dreams and visions before His 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming.

**5a. 2 Peter 1:21**

- <sup>21</sup>for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke *as they were* moved by the Holy Spirit.

**Answer:** They are “holy men of God” as evidenced by their life and they do the bidding of the Holy Spirit.

**5b. 1 John 4:1-3**

- <sup>1</sup>Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits, whether they are of God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world. <sup>2</sup>By this you know the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is of God, <sup>3</sup>and every spirit that does not confess that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is not of God. And this is the *spirit* of the Antichrist, which you have heard was coming, and is now already in the world.

**Answers:** True prophets will acknowledge that Jesus Christ did come in the flesh when he was on this earth.

**5c. Isaiah 8:20**

- <sup>20</sup>To the law and to the testimony! If they do not speak according to this word, *it is because there is no* light in them.

**Answer:** Prophets will speak a message that is in harmony with the Bible (Old Testament and the New Testament).

**5d. Jeremiah 23:16, 17**

<sup>6</sup>Thus says the Lord of hosts:

“Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you.

They make you worthless;

They speak a vision of their own heart,

Not from the mouth of the Lord.

<sup>17</sup> They continually say to those who despise Me,

‘The Lord has said, “You shall have peace”’;

And to everyone who walks according to the dictates of his own heart, they say,

‘No evil shall come upon you.’”

**Answer:** True prophets will speak against those who give a message that is not in harmony with the Bible.

**5e. Jeremiah 28:9**

<sup>9</sup>As for the prophet who prophesies of peace, when the word of the prophet comes to pass, the prophet will be known as one whom the Lord has truly sent.”

**Answer:** A true prophet's predictions will come true.

**5f. Matthew 7:15-20**

<sup>15</sup>“Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep’s clothing, but inwardly they are ravenous wolves.

<sup>16</sup>You will know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes from thornbushes or figs from thistles? <sup>17</sup>Even so, every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. <sup>18</sup>A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit. <sup>19</sup>Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. <sup>20</sup>Therefore by their fruits you will know them.

**Answer:** A true prophet's life will have a positive influence (the fruit of their labors) on those around him/her.

**6. John 17:20, 21**

<sup>20</sup>“I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word; <sup>21</sup>that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me.

**1 Thessalonians 5:19-21**

<sup>19</sup>Do not quench the Spirit. <sup>20</sup>Do not despise prophecies. <sup>21</sup>Test all things; hold fast what is good.

**Answer:** Listen to what the prophet(s) say and allow the Holy Spirit to direct how one incorporated the message of the prophet(s), which will lead to unit among the Believers.