

IS GOD REVEALING MORE TRUTH APART FROM HIS WORD?

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Why do modern religions have so many confusing doctrines? Why do we hear so many different answers to the same spiritual questions? For one thing, some believe that God is still speaking to us and delivering new information. Let's consider this question; **is God revealing more truth, apart from His word?** If He is, we can conclude that:

He deals differently with different people. *“Then Peter opened his mouth and said: ‘In truth I perceive that God shows no partiality. But in every nation whoever fears Him and works righteousness is accepted by Him.’” {Acts 10:34,35}* But this passage says that God does not show partiality. (also read *Romans 2:11* and *1 Peter 1:17*) It can't be true if God is revealing different messages to different people. How does one know which of the different messages is the one actually coming from Him? Indeed, it would be confusing, but this is not the case. God gave but one message for all people, and that is the message revealed in the Holy Scriptures.

He doesn't mean what He says. *“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.” {Hebrews 1:1,2}* The Hebrews writer clearly said that in this day and time, God's Son is His only spokesperson. How can this be true if, as many different people claim, God is speaking through them today. Again, we would be left in utter confusion, not knowing which messengers are authentic. There's only one—God's Son, and He spoke only thru revelation. *{1 Corinthians 2:9-13}*

Final authority cannot reside in His word. *“He who rejects Me, and does not receive My words, has that which judges him--the word that I have spoken will judge him in the last day.” {John 12:48}* How can there be other messages if, as this passage says, God's word is the standard by which we will be judged? What if I miss one of the new messages? Will I be held responsible for not heeding it? The Bible strictly warns against believing “another gospel,” even if it is delivered by an angel. *{Galatians 1:7-9}* *“As I urged you when I went into Macedonia--remain in Ephesus that you may charge some that they teach no other doctrine.” {1 Timothy 1:3}*

The Bible's conversion examples are unreliable. *“Then Crispus, the ruler of the synagogue, believed on the Lord with all his household. And many of the Corinthians, hearing, believed and were baptized.” {Acts 18:8}* Many tell of different ways to be saved—the sinner's prayer, praying through, grace only, faith only, and so on. Some have said that God told them baptism is no longer important. This is pure foolishness from the minds of false prophets. If we do EXACTLY what the first-century folks did to obtain salvation, we can know that God will save us.

The Scriptures are misleading. *“As 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.” {2 Peter 1:3}* This verse says we have been given all things.... *“Beloved, while I was very diligent to write to you concerning our common salvation, 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.” {Jude 3}* This passage says the truth was delivered to the saints one time, for all time. *2 Timothy 3:16, 17* says the Scriptures furnish us

for ALL good works. It's very confusing; if God is giving new messages, how can we believe these passages?

The simple truth is: there are no more latter-day revelations. God is not delivering new messages separate from His word. Men—not God—are confused. Yet, why are they confused? Men are not satisfied with what God has revealed and desire to have different things than the truth revealed by the Holy Spirit. Men may accept and believe these so-called “new revelations” but they did not come from God and cannot save any who obeys them or believes in them. Men's time would be better spent and more productive if they would concern themselves with what God HAS SAID in His word and seek to be obedient to His holy and divine will! ***