## #366 Who is an Apostle?

An Apostle is one who is taught by God himself and not MAN, I am sure you have heard someone say, "I went through the school of hard knocks," this is NOT mans Seminary. (which are mans traditions, some good and some bad)

The Apostle Paul was a very educated man, especially in the Jewish teaching concerning the scriptures. BUT when he met Jesus on the road to Damascus, He found out his teachings were WRONG, he said the Lord took him into the desert for three years to RETRAIN him, from mans religious traditions.

1Corinthians 12:28\* And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues. Now these are the offices or callings that God has placed in the church up to and including now. I have heard preached across the pulpits, that Apostles are not for today as well as miracles, tongues, etc. These are ALL FALSE teachings according to the false traditions of man, that are taught in their cemeteries (copps, I meant seminaries).

Collosians 2:8\* Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.

TO BE AN APOSTLE, you first have to be called of god, if your called, God will also equip you for the task. One Of the FIRST qualifications; is, you have to love the Lord, by love, I mean talk with him and listen to what HE says back to you. Every born again believer is restored to the same fellowship that Adam had with God (they walked and talked together). It's an intimate and personal relationship. Unfortunately, most Christians have the mentality that they have to wait till they go to heaven before this can take place.

This is why Jesus said: Matthew 22:14\* For many are called, but few are chosen.

All nine gifts to the church are callings of God, mind you not all people are in they're calling. I have heard some say,"I feel I have a calling of God to go into the ministry" but they don't seek God as to what ministry. So they go to a seminar where they train you to be a Pastor, I know pastors that are actually teachers or evangelists, and there are some that should be in the **HELPS** ministry. Mind you, you can fit in many ministries, BUT you'll **ALWAYS** shine (excel) in you're calling.

Natural man, trusts natural mans ways, if natural man is so intelligent, then WHY are their so many denominations and every one has the **NEW** bible translation to FIT THEIR OWN interpretation. Did you know that changing one word in the scripture, let alone a whole phrase, can change the spiritual meaning that God is trying to imply.

1Co 2:1416 But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man. For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ.

1Corinthians 1:1 Paul, called to be an apostle of Jesus Christ through the will of God

Unfortunately, over the years you do not here this anymore, as I said, most don't believe that that calling is for today, But man in his natural state loves recognition and the prestige's names have changed over the years. Back in bible times it was brother Paul or whatever, over the years it has gone to Father, his Eminence, to Reverend, and have you noticed that in our modern age the IN calling now is Dr. That is short for doctor of divinity, well the only one I personally feel qualified to be called Dr of Divinity IS GOD, (thats kennyoligy or my opinion.)

I trust this will shed some light on your question.

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