

Whose Mail Are You Reading?

God's Word was **"addressed"** to man throughout time to reveal his responsibility in each dispensation.

Every Bible student must determine if that mail was addressed to him or to someone else **and make proper application**.

Just as receiving mail that doesn't belong to us, we don't want to misapply scriptures that aren't written to us.



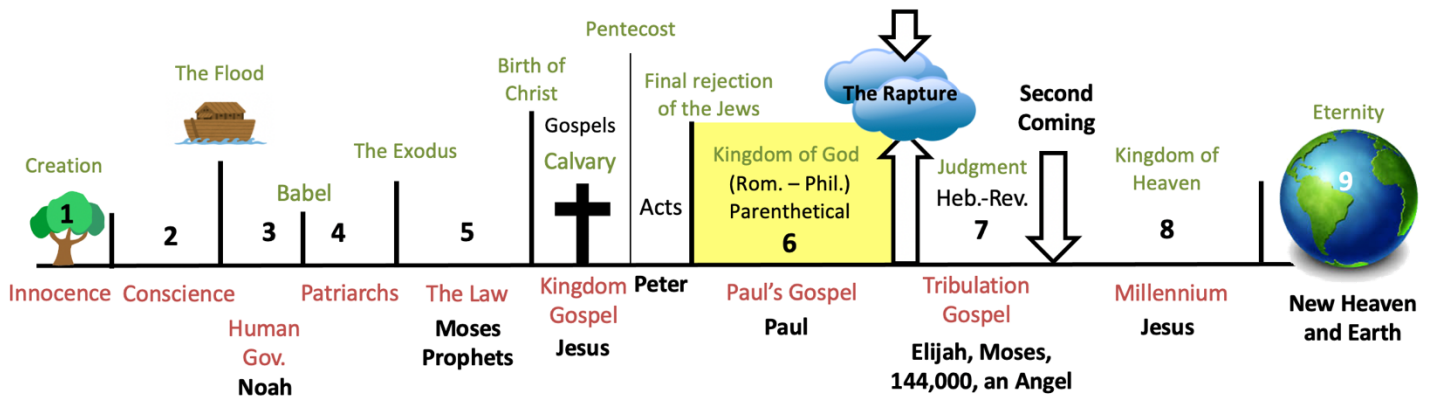
We must always ask the question, "Who is speaking and to whom is he speaking?"

- The Jews Under the Law
- The body of Christ/the Church
- The Tribulation Saint
- The Person Living in The Millennium
- An unsaved person

There are Three Main Groups of People, 1 Cor. 10:32. Jews (my people), Gentiles, Church of God.

Some Basic Divisions: Gen. – Mal. | The Gospels | Acts | Romans – Philemon | Hebrews – Revelation

During these time periods God used various spokesmen to deliver his message.



Paul's Is Our Spokesman

- Paul was appointed and ordained by God to be an Apostle - 1 Tim. 2:7, 2 Tim. 1:11, 2:7
- Paul was given a special dispensation – Ephesians 3:1-7, Galatians 1:15-16
- Paul's was given "his" gospel by revelation – Galatians 1:11-12
- Paul reveals the mystery of the body of Christ – Ephesians 1:22-23, 1 Corinthians 12:13
- We are instructed to follow Paul – 1 Corinthians 4:15-16, 11:1, Philippians 4:9, 2 Timothy 2:7

Let's Solve Some Seeming Contradictions Using Right Division

<p>Sabbath</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Same</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Moses</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Paul</p>	<p>Moses: Ex 20:8 Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Gen 2:3 And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it... Eze 20:12 Moreover also I gave them my sabbaths, to be a sign between me and them, that they might know that I <i>am</i> the LORD that sanctify them.</p>	<p>Paul: Col 2:16-17 Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holyday, or of the new moon, or of the sabbath <i>days</i>: 17 Which are a shadow of things to come; but the body <i>is</i> of Christ. Ro 13:9 For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if <i>there be</i> any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.</p>
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To whom was Moses speaking? _____

To whom was Paul speaking? _____

Salvation <input type="checkbox"/> Same <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus <input type="checkbox"/> Paul	Jesus: Mt 19:16-17 And, behold, one came and said unto him, Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life? 17 And he said unto him, ...if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments.	Paul: Ro 10:9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.
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To whom was Jesus speaking? _____

To whom was Paul speaking? _____

Salvation <input type="checkbox"/> Same <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus <input type="checkbox"/> Paul	Jesus: Mr 16:16 He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. (Peter followed this command in Acts 2:38)	Paul: 1Co 1:17 For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel: not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect.
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To whom was Jesus speaking? *hint vs.14* _____

To whom was Paul speaking? _____

Salvation <input type="checkbox"/> Same <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus <input type="checkbox"/> Paul	Jesus: Mt 5:3-5 Blessed <i>are</i> the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 4 Blessed <i>are</i> they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. 5 Blessed <i>are</i> the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.	Paul: Eph 2:8-9 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: <i>it is</i> the gift of God: 9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.
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To whom was Jesus speaking? _____

To whom was Paul speaking? _____

Salvation <input type="checkbox"/> Same <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus <input type="checkbox"/> Paul	Jesus: Lu 13:3 I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.	Paul: Ac 17:30 And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:
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To whom was Jesus speaking? _____

To whom was Paul speaking? _____

Tongues <input type="checkbox"/> Same <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus <input type="checkbox"/> Paul	Jesus: Mr 16:17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;	Paul: 1Co 14:22 Wherefore tongues are for a sign... 1Co 1:22 For the Jews require a sign, and the Greeks seek after wisdom:
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To whom was Jesus speaking? _____

To whom was Paul speaking? _____

HOMEWORK: Has the Gift of Healing Ceased?

Use these verses (along with what you've learned in this class) to help formulate your answer: [Acts 14:9-10](#), [Acts 19:11-12](#), [Acts 28:8](#), [1 Cor. 12:28](#), [2 Cor. 12:8-9](#), [2 Tim. 4:20](#), [1 Tim. 5:23](#). Feel free to use other scripture as well.