

[To Those Who Deny Revelation Still Occurs Today]

Concerning Revelation, Prophecy, Measure, and Rule; and the Inspiration and Sufficiency of the Spirit.

So the letter-professing and learned Christians and Jews must do God's Will, if they will know Christ's Doctrine; and that must be done by the same Spirit as the Apostles were in, that through it they may mortify the deeds of the flesh, and take up the Cross daily, and follow Christ (and deny themselves), who reveals the Father to them, if they will know Him or his Doctrine, that did the Will of God.

—By G. F.

Now unto all you who cry so much against revelation, that go under the name of christians, hear what Christ Jesus said in Mat 11:27 and in Luke 10:22, 'all things are given unto me of my Father; no man knows the Son, but the Father; neither does any man know the Father but the Son, and he to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.'

{Fox makes a critical point in his opening paragraph and his closing paragraph of this writing. To know the Father, or the Son, the Son must reveal him. Revelation comes from the Holy Spirit; and the only persons, to whom the Father or Son are revealed, are those who are obedient to the commands of the Spirit of God, and thereby receive the Holy Spirit. Acts 5:32. To be obedient, you must first hear; to hear, you must listen; to listen, you must be quiet and wait; to be quiet and wait, is to seek God. **Blessed is the man who hears me, watching daily** at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doors. Proverbs 8:34, Luke 11:28.}

Now here it is clear by Christ's own words, you who deny revelation, do not know the Son nor the Father; for 'no man knows the Son but the Father, [mark, no man,] neither does any man know the Father, but the Son, and he **to whom the Son reveals him.**' So it is clear the Son must reveal himself and his Father

to people, if they know them, and they are not known but by revelation; and those who deny revelation, deny what reveals both Son and Father.

And therefore, take heed you wicked ones, that deny revelation; for it is said in Job 20:27, 'the heaven shall reveal his iniquity, and the earth shall rise up against him.' And therefore, take heed, for fear that the heaven reveals your iniquity, and the earth rises up against you, who deny revelation.

And it is said in Jer 33:6, 'Behold, I will bring them health and healing, and I will cure them (namely Jerusalem); and will reveal to them the abundance of peace and truth.' Now this healing, and this health, and this abundance of peace and truth has been revealed by the Lord and has given unto us, blessed be his name forever; and you will lack it, you who deny revelation.

And you who deny God's revelation, deprive yourselves of this peace and truth, healing and health, though you have the form of godliness and deny the power and spirit that should reveal.

And Nebuchadnezzar, he did not deny revelation, though a heathen; but acknowledges Daniel's revelation, and acknowledged the God of truth, and that He was the revealer of secrets. Are you not darker than Nebuchadnezzar, you who profess yourselves christians, and you deny revelations these days, and you who would limit the Son and God, and say, that 'there is no revelation to be looked for now these days?' If so, then there is no looking for the knowledge of God now these days; for there is no knowledge of him, except as the Son *reveals* him, who is the same today as yesterday, and so forever; and is known by revelation now, as formerly, **which we witness**.

And the apostle Paul, did not preach Christ until the Son was revealed in him, Gal 1:15-16, where he said, 'it pleased God to separate him from his mother's womb, and call him by his grace, to reveal his Son in him, that he might preach him.' So all of you who deny revelation, you are preaching before the Son of God is revealed in you to preach him. And so, 'he that has not the Son, has not life,' said the apostle John. And 'Do you not know yourself, that Jesus Christ is in you - unless you are reprobates [tested, rejected, abandoned to sin]?', says Paul; and tells them 'examine themselves,' in 2 Cor 13:5, and **this revelation we witness**.

And whereas, you may object and say, 'secret things belong to the Lord, but the things revealed belong to us,' &c.

But you must see what thing is revealed to you, and to your children; for was not the law revealed to Moses? And did not the Jews by the spirit of God understand it, and knew it so? The Lord revealed himself to David, 2 Sam 7:27,

and the Lord revealed himself to Samuel, as in 1 Sam3:21, and is not God the same, and does he not change?

And in Isa 40:5, he said, 'the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, the mouth of the Lord has spoken it.' [Mark,] all flesh shall see this revelation. And you who deny revelation, how can you see this glory of the Lord without revelation, which the mouth of the Lord has spoken? [mark,] 'the glory of the Lord shall be revealed;' future tense; and those who see this glory of the Lord, must know it by revelation, as the Lord has spoken, and **which we witness.**

And in Isa 53:1, 'who has believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed?' now, can any know the arm of the Lord, and believe that report of him, but as it is revealed; and as it is revealed, they will know the powerful arm of the Lord, **which we witness.**

And in John 12:38, where was the fulfilling of the prophet Isaiah's prophecy, who said, 'Lord who has believed our report?' therefore, it is said, 'he has blinded their eyes, and hardened their hearts.' And therefore, are not your hearts hardened, and your eyes blinded, who deny the revelation of the Son of God? And your belief is but like the Pharisees in the letter, who stand against the revelation of the Son of God, who is the foundation, and the rock of this age, as of the former ages.

And in Isa 56:1, 'thus said the Lord, keep you judgment, and do justice, for my salvation is soon to come, and my righteousness to be revealed;' [mark, to be revealed.] Now, can any know God's salvation, or his righteousness, unless it is by the revelation of the Son? (Christ said, 'they cannot,') and those who do know salvation, and the righteousness revealed must keep judgment and do justice; and those who do not, will deny revelation, and true judgment and justice.

And Christ said, in Mat 10:26, 'there is nothing covered that shall not be revealed, nor hidden that shall not be known.' Now, are not all things covered and hidden unto you until they be revealed? [mark, revealed.] And how do you know anything, except by revelation? For, are not all things covered and hidden from you, before they are revealed? And in this we witness Christ has the glory, who reveals himself and the Father; and those who deny revelation, know nothing as they ought to know, but follow their own spirits, and see nothing,

And does not the apostle say, in 1 Cor 2:9-10, 'the things which eye has not seen, nor ear heard, neither came it into man's heart, which God has prepared for those who love him; but God has revealed them unto us by his spirit.' Therefore, can you know anything of the things of God, which God has prepared

for those who love him, which can neither be seen nor heard, unless it is by the revelation of God's spirit?

And the apostle (moreover) said, 'no man knows the things of God, except by the spirit of God.' [Mark,] no man knows the things of God, but by the spirit of God, which was in the apostles, which revealed the things of God to them, which now also must reveal the things of God to people, if they know them, which we witness.

And are not you the ministers of the letter only, who deny the revelation of the spirit of God, that the apostles were in, to be expected now a-days? therefore, you will never know the things of God, but by his spirit of revelation, no man of you all.

See 1 Cor 2:14, 'for the natural man perceives not the things of God, they are foolishness to him, neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.' And [mark,] that spiritual discerning must be with the spirit that reveals them, which was that the apostle was in, and we witness; and you say, 'you have it not, and it must not be looked for these days.'

And Christ said, in Mat 11:25-26, and in Luke 10:21, 'I thank thee, O Father, Lord God of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise, learned men of understanding, and has revealed them unto babes, even so Father because it so pleases thee.' Is it not so now? Is not the revelation of the Son hidden from the wise, and the learned, and men of understanding? Don't many of them make a mockery of it? But Jesus rejoiced in spirit, and thanks God for this revelation, as you may see in Luke, which he had revealed to babes, who were the learners of him; and he does the same still, though it is hidden from your eyes; and we and many babes can praise God for this revelation of his Son in us, though many of you make a mockery at it.

And in Mat 16:16-17, Peter said, 'you are the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus answered and said unto him, blessed are you Simon the son of Jona, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven.' [Mark,] flesh and blood had not revealed, that Jesus Christ was the Son of God, unto Peter, but the Father, who is in heaven.

And you who deny revelation these days, can any of you know Jesus Christ, the Son of the living God, without the Son or the Father revealing him, who is in heaven? No, and if you say yes, are not you those who are thieves and robbers, and climb up another way than by the door Christ? for Christ tells you, 'no man knows the Father, except by revelation,' and is not all your talking about Christ, only your imagination, and the revelation of flesh and blood, who deny the revelation of the Son of God by his spirit.

And in Luke 2:26, Simeon was a just man, and waited for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him, and the revelation was given him of the Holy Spirit, that he should not see death before he had seen the Lord Jesus Christ, which revelation was fulfilled in the same chapter.

And now can any see the Lord Jesus Christ, except by the revelation of the Holy Spirit? Or can any call him Lord, but by the Holy Spirit.

Now the Pharisees had the scriptures of the Old Testament, as you have of the New Testament. These wise learned men, who had their Hebrew, Greek, and Latin, who made a great talk that Christ was to come then, as you do now, that he has come, but it is clear, as Christ said, neither you nor any others can know him, but by revelation, as Peter, and Paul, and Simeon knew him by revelation, and the rest of the disciples, whom Christ calls babes. No, further, in Luke 2:32, Simeon said, speaking of Christ, that 'he was a light to be revealed to the Gentiles, and the glory of my people, Israel.'

And now mark, all you who stumble so much about Christ, the light, which lights everyone that comes into the world, who is the glory of Israel; it seems Christ the light is not revealed to you, your darkness cannot comprehend it, which we witness and believe in, and see this glory of Israel, and so have become children of the light. So you are those who stumble at the light at noonday, and at revelation, for all your learning and knowledge of tongues, wisdom, and understanding; this light to be revealed to the Gentiles you stumble at, which is revealed, we witness, blessed be the Lord forever, namely, Christ Jesus, the light, who enlightens every man that comes into the world.

And you may see Christ was revealed to old Hannah the prophetess, when she was eighty-four years old, and she confessed Christ, and spoke of him to all who looked for redemption in Jerusalem.'

And in Luke 17:30, 'In the day when the Son of man shall be revealed (namely), from heaven.' And in 2 Thes 1:7-8, 'when the Lord Jesus Christ shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels in flaming fire, rendering vengeance unto those who know not God, and which obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, which shall be punished with everlasting perdition from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power, when he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be made marvelous in all those who believe.' Now you who deny revelation, and say revelation is ceased, and must not be looked forth these days, consider this: the revelation of Jesus from heaven in flaming fire, rendering vengeance upon all those who know not God, and obey not his gospel, the power of God: and Christ tells you, that you do not know God nor the Son, but by revelation, therefore, consider what a condition you are in; for in the days of Christ in his flesh, he was known by revelation; and after his resurrection and

coming again, it is by revelation that he is known, as you may read, 2 Thes 1:7, and Luke 17:30. And the apostle said, in Rom 1:17, 'the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith, as it is written, the just shall live by faith; for the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, which hold the truth in unrighteousness.' Now you who deny revelation, and say that revelation is ceased these days, you cannot know the righteousness of God, which is revealed from faith to faith; neither can you know the true faith by which the just lives, but by revelation, then you are not like to preach it, which we witness.

And do not you think you must know the wrath of God, revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness? and what do you hold the truth of the prophets and Christ, and the apostles in, but in unrighteousness? who say, you have not the same power and spirit which the prophets and apostles had, be sure this revelation of his wrath will come upon you.

And in Rom 8:18, 'I count the afflictions of this present time are not worthy of the glory which shall be revealed in us.' Now mark, this glory was to be revealed, which was not then revealed, but it shall be revealed; therefore, can you are partakers of any of this glory, but by revelation? For the fervent desire of the creation waits for when the Sons of God should be revealed. Now mark, does anyone know this state of the Son of God, except by the revelation of God? If you say you do, you know it by another spirit and way than the apostles did, which cannot be the true birth, but the birth born of the flesh, which will persecute him that is born of the spirit, which we have felt sufficiently of.

And in 1 Cor 3:13, hear you who deny revelation, what the apostle said, 'every man's work shall be made manifest; for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire, and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is;' and do you think you can deny this revelation by fire? That fire will try every man's work of what sort it is: this day and revelation by fire has not yet come to you who deny revelation, (for your works have not been so tried), which day will come.

And 1 Cor 14:29-30, 'let the prophets speak, two or three, and let the other judge, and if anything be revealed to another that sits by, let the first hold his peace.' Now this was the order in the church of Christ. Now you who deny revelation, which is an office here in the church, that people should speak, or preach, or prophesy one after another what was revealed unto them, as the apostle did and exhorted to, another should hold his peace, this would be counted disorder among you who deny revelation. So you speak and preach what was revealed to others, and not to yourselves, so are not you as those who

used their tongues, and said, 'thus said the Lord,' whom the Lord never spoke unto, but reproves such.

And the apostle said, in Gal 3:23, 'but before faith came, we were kept under the law, and shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed.' Mark, you who deny revelation these days, are not you shut up? Can you have any true faith, but by the revelation of Christ, who is the author and finisher of faith? For does not the apostle say, that they themselves were shut up under the law, and unto the faith which should be afterwards revealed; and who reveals this faith? Is it not Christ, who is the author and finisher of it? Therefore has any one any true faith but by revelation, according to the apostle's doctrine? Which faith by revelation, we witness to the glory of Christ.

And the apostle said in Eph 3:3,5, 'that God by revelation has showed this mystery unto me, which in other ages was not opened unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto the holy apostles and prophets by the spirit.' Here you may see again, what was revealed to the prophets and apostles by the spirit of God, they declared, which was not opened to the sons of men before, but opened by the revelation of the spirit to them; here the apostle owns Christ's words, that the Father and the Son are known by revelation. And you who deny revelation these days, follow your own spirits, and see nothing, like the false prophets of old, and follow not the spirit that revealed that mystery to the apostles, nor Christ, who does reveal himself and the Father.

And in 2 Thes 2:3-4, it is said, 'and that man of sin be revealed, even the son of perdition, that exalts himself above all that is called God, and sits in the temple of God: and now you know what withholds, that he might be revealed in his time, and then shall the wicked man be revealed whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming.' Now here the apostle tells them, this revelation was to come, and this destruction upon this son of perdition, who sat in the temple of God, and exalts himself above all that is called God. What temple of God is this, do you think? Look within where this man sits. Are not the saints the temples of God, who own revelation? But does he not sit in your temples, and make you deny this revelation? The son of perdition who sits in your temple, and makes you deny the revelation of the son of God there; and exalts himself above all that is called God, and to deny his revelation in you; and tells you revelation is ceased, and you must look for no such thing in your age; and sits enthroned here until he is taken out of the way. And can any one know this man of sin, the son of perdition, (that is exalted above all that is called God, and sits in his temple), but by the revelation of God's spirit, as the apostle was in? for the apostle said, 'what may be known of God, is manifest in them.' Rom 1:19.

And the apostle said, then shall the wicked man be revealed, whom God shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall abolish with the brightness of his coming. Do you think that this man of sin in you, will let you own this revelation of God to consume him? No, the apostle said, 'let no man deceive you by any means; for that day shall not come unless there is first a departing, and that man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition.'

So you who deny any revelation to be these days, do not you deceive people of that day, by denying the revelation of the son of perdition, and the revelation of the Son of God? but that day of revelation has come, blessed be the Lord that he is revealed, and you who deny revelation are discovered. So it is plain, by the apostle's words, that you can neither know the things of God, nor Christ, nor the man of sin, but by revelation; now consider what condition you are in, who say, there is no revelation to be looked for these days.

And Peter said, 1 Pet 1:5, 'you are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation, which is ready to be revealed in the last time.' Now, consider, you who deny revelation; do not you deny the faith and salvation to those who are kept by the power of God through faith, which was to be revealed in the last time? Do any know faith or salvation, except by revelation, as it is revealed in this our age, to as many as wait for his appearance? And the apostle, speaking of Christ, and of some searching the scriptures, when or what time the spirit which testified of Christ, which was in them, should declare the sufferings that would come unto Christ, and the glory which should follow, unto whom it was revealed that not unto themselves, but unto us, (namely), the apostles, mark here, this was known by revelation, and can any know it, think you, without revelation of the same spirit, (namely), Christ and his glory, as in 1 Pet 1:5,11, as it was revealed to them.

And in 1 Pet 4:13, 'but rejoice, inasmuch, as you are partakers of Christ's sufferings, that when his glory shall be revealed, you may be glad and rejoice. Now mark, you who deny revelation, here is the glory of Christ, which should be revealed, which should glad and rejoice the saints, and you who deny revelation, deny that glory of Christ that gladdens and rejoices the saints, that is to be revealed to them.

And in 1 Pet 5:1, 'the elders which are among you, I beseech, who am also an elder, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed,' [mark,] that shall be revealed, it was not then, so here was a revelation of glory to come. And you who deny revelation to yourselves and others these days, deny the saints of their glory that comes by revelation, which the saints then, and we now, do witness, blessed be the Lord forever. And your denial of revelation is little worth, if you deny God, and Christ, and the

scriptures, and the things of God which are not known, but by revelation of that spirit the apostles were in, and this we are witnesses of.

And Amos 3:7, 'surely the Lord God will do nothing, but he reveals his secrets to his servants the prophets.' And you who deny revelation these days, what will you deny that God has any servants or prophets these days? It seems that you are not among his servants nor prophets, you who have none of God's secrets revealed unto you and deny revelation. But his servants must tell you, that God is the same that ever he was, and there is a God in heaven who does reveal secrets, as you may see in Daniel's confession, and the apostles.

And the apostle said, Rom 2:5, 'you after your hardness and impenitent heart heaped up unto yourself wrath against the day of wrath, and revelation of the righteous judgments of God.' This revelation of the righteous judgments of God, that day you will know that deny revelation; and that day you must know by revelation and judgment.

And the apostle said, in Rom 16:25, 'now to him that is of power to establish you according to my gospel and preaching of Jesus Christ, by the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began.' Now you who deny revelation, what, will you make people believe that you shall know the mystery of Christ and his gospel, (which has been kept secret since the world began) without revelation? which the apostle Peter said, 1 Pet 1:12, 'this mystery was known by revelation, which gospel is the power of God, and came down from heaven.' Rom 1:16, which is according to Christ's words, 'no man knows the Father but the Son, and he to whom the Son reveals him.'

And you may see in 1 Cor 14:26, 'when the church came together, such as had a doctrine, a tongue or revelation, or interpretation, let all things be done unto edifying.' So this was and is the practice and order in the church of Christ, which he is the head of, (namely, revelation), which we witness, though some deny it.

And the apostle said to the Galatians, Gal 1:11-12, 'now I certify you brethren, that the gospel which was preached by me was not after man, for neither received I it of man, [mark,] neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ.' Now all you who deny revelation these days, do not you deny the same gospel which the apostle preached, which gospel he said, 'is the power of God.' Rom 1:16. And then has not your gospel been created by man? And have not you been taught it, and received it from man, that is, you have not been taught it by the revelation of Jesus Christ. Since the gospel is the power of God, can any receive it unless it is by the revelation of Jesus Christ? And do not they preach themselves, and not the gospel, who deny the revelation of the gospel of Jesus Christ these days? The apostle Paul was highly educated as well as any of you before he was converted, but he counted all that as dross and dung to the

excellence of Christ, which was revealed in him. So when those who preach Christ's gospel to others, who have it by revelation, it is Christ who has the glory, though they may be persecuted by those who deny revelation, and have what they have from man.

{He who speaks from himself seeks his own glory,

but he who seeks the glory of the One who sent him, that man is true, and there is no unrighteousness in him. John 7:18. So whoever preaches a gospel, without having received the gospel by revelation, seeks his own glory.

Any man who speaks of God or Christ without the Spirit's specifically supplied words is **seeking his own glory**, and he is estimating himself to be greater than Christ, for Christ said: The disciple is not above his master, but everyone who is **perfect** [purified, restored to the spiritual image of God, specifically authorized, and perfected] will be like his master. Luke 6:40.

The preachers of Christendom stand condemned for seeking their own glory and then accepting pay for their worthless words; when to even charge for true words of life like Balaam, spoken from the spirit of God, is expressly forbidden by Peter and Jesus. Seeking their own glory, the preachers of Christendom speak from their carnal minds, the nature of death, and preach their vain opinions from the imagination their evil hearts.}

And the apostle said to the Ephesians in Eph 1:17, 'that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory might give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation, through the knowledge of him, that the eyes of your understandings might be enlightened, that you may know what is the hope of his calling, and what is the riches of his glorious inheritance in his saints.' Now here all you who deny revelation, may see what the apostle prays for, 'the spirit of wisdom, and of revelation, that their eyes might be opened by this spirit of wisdom and of revelation.' Are not all your eyes shut, who deny revelation and do not see the hope of Christ's calling, nor what is the riches of his glorious inheritance in his saints; but mark, who might give people this spirit of wisdom and revelation, the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory? To him was the church, and now is to look unto for the spirit of wisdom and revelation, by which their eyes are enlightened, by which they know the hope of their calling, and the riches of Christ's glorious inheritance in his saints. And you who deny the spirit of wisdom and revelation now in your time to yourselves and others, are far off from praying for this spirit of wisdom and revelation, as the apostle was to open your hearers' [the congregation who sits and listens to preachers instead of God] eyes and understandings, and your own. So in denying revelation, you keep both your own eyes and theirs [your audience] shut from that glory the saints did and do enjoy.

And in 1 Pet 1:13, in his general epistle, 'therefore gird up the loins of your minds, be sober, and trust perfectly in the grace that is to be brought unto you

at the revelation of Jesus Christ:’ [mark,] this the saints were to do then, and so they are now to do the same, to have the loins of their minds girded up, and to be sober, and to trust perfectly on the grace that is brought unto them by the revelation of Jesus Christ. So all that know this grace, they know how they received it by the revelation of Jesus Christ; for grace and truth comes by Jesus Christ, as the law did by Moses. This is the grace that brings salvation, and which has appeared to all men, and taught the saints, though many there be that turn this grace of God into a license for immorality, and walk despitefully against the spirit of grace, and set up a heap of teachers after their own lusts, from whence wars arise, and then say revelation is ceased in their day and time; but such, the loins of their minds are neither girded up, neither are they sober, nor trust perfectly on the grace that is brought by the revelation of Jesus, which the saints then, and we now do witness, blessed be his name forever. Here you may see by the apostle, that you do not know the grace of Christ and his gospel, but by revelation. And Peter further speaks, that Christ was revealed unto them, and the gospel which they preached by the Holy Spirit, was sent down from heaven, [mark,] was sent down from heaven; and therefore, where have you your gospel now, that deny revelation, and say it is ceased.

And in Rev 1, ‘the revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto John,’ as you may see at large what the revelations are in his book, but you see nothing of those who deny the spirit of revelation now in your days; and Christ said, ‘he opens and no man shuts, and he shuts and no man can open: and no man in heaven, nor in the earth, nor under the earth was able to open the book, neither to look thereon, which made John to weep;’ but it was said unto him, ‘behold the lion which is of the tribe of Judah, the root of David has obtained to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof.’ Therefore, all look unto him who opens the book of the law and the prophets, and the book of conscience, and the book of life; that you may see your names written therein. He reveals grace, faith, the gospel, himself and the Father, and his glory, and the things of God by his spirit. So he is worthy to be waited upon, (who reveals by his spirit), and not upon those who deny revelation; and likewise it is he, who reveals unto you the man of sin, the son of perdition, who sits in the temple of God, above all that is called God, whom he (namely, Christ), will destroy. And also, he reveals his wrath, judgments and indignation upon all the disobedient, and such as hold the truth in unrighteousness, and not in the spirit of revelation that the apostles were in; and such as hold the truth in unrighteousness may plead for the body of sin and death, and the old man with his imperfections to the grave, where there is no repentance, where they and he may be buried in the lake together.

In 1 Sam 3:7, ‘Now Samuel yet did not know the Lord, neither yet was the word of the Lord revealed to him, and the Lord revealed himself to Samuel,’ 1 Sam 3:21. So can you know the word of the Lord, or the Lord, unless it is as the Lord reveals it? Or can you know the Father or the Son, but by revelation. Luke 10:22.

And in Isa 40:5, 'the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, all flesh shall see it together.' Now can any see the glory of the Lord, but by revelation? 'who has believed our report, and to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed.' Now does any know the arm of the Lord, or believe the report of Christ, but by revelation, Isa 53:1, and John 12:38, 'for my salvation is near to come, and my righteousness to be revealed.' Now does any know God's salvation, and his righteousness, but as it is revealed, Isa 56:1, and Christ said, 'there is nothing covered that shall not be revealed, nor hidden that shall not be known,' ... So are not you all covered and the things of God hidden from you who deny revelation? Mat 10:26. And in Luke 2:35, 'the thoughts of the heart are revealed by Christ.' And so you neither know God's righteousness nor faith, but by revelation. And in Luke 17:30, 'when the Son of man shall be revealed.' And in Rom 8:18, the apostle said, 'he considered that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with **the glory** which will be **revealed in us.**' And in 1 Cor 2:9-10, 'and what ear has not heard, nor eye has not seen, God has revealed unto the apostles, the deep things of God.' So the things of God are not known, but as they are revealed by his spirit; and if anything is revealed to another that sits by, let the first hold his peace; likewise the man of sin and the wicked one is not known except as he is revealed; likewise you do not know the word of faith, the light, the glory of the Lord, the arm of the Lord, salvation, the righteousness of God, the things of God, the Son, nor the Father, the wrath of God, your own thoughts, nor the man of sin, the wicked one in your temple, but as they are revealed. You do not know the grace of God, but by revelation, 1 Pet 1:13, nor you do not know the mystery which has been kept secret since the world began, but by revelation, Rom 16:25, neither do you know the righteous judgments of God, but by revelation, Rom 2:5, and though the Jews had the scriptures, yet they did not know Christ the word.

The apostle did not receive the gospel of man, nor by man, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ. Gal 1:12.

Now can you, or any man know this gospel, the power of God, which brings life and immortality to light, unless by divine revelation? And do not you, who deny revelation, deny the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ for Christ said, 'when the Son of man shall be revealed, that the world would be doing as in the days of Noah, ... and when Lot went out of Sodom.' Luke 17:29-30. And said the apostle, 'when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels in flaming fire, taking vengeance upon all those who know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, when he shall come to be glorified in his saints.' 2 Thes 1:7-10. And here again, you who deny revelation, do not you deny the Lord Jesus, his being *revealed* from heaven with his mighty angels, and glorified in his saints; and are you not those that do not know God, those who he will take vengeance upon in flaming fire; for how can you know God and Christ,

unless by revelation, seeing that Christ must tell you, or you cannot know him or his Father, unless it is by revelation.

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Now concerning those who deny prophecies in these days, and say it has ceased today.

{Just as Fox proved above how ridiculous it is to say that revelation has ceased, so he proves it is ridiculous to say that prophecy has ceased. Like in his time, today we have many Bible loving sects that say that revelation and prophecy have ceased; that the Bible is the final word, and God does not speak to people any longer because we have the Bible. That is a ludicrous claim, but permit me to explain why these people insist on claiming it: it is because those who are preaching and teaching cannot hear God. They cannot hear because they are teaching errors, they are false prophets, they are duped ministers of Satan, and the Lord is not about to educate them in any way. They have such a high opinion of themselves that they think because they cannot hear, no one can hear. So they point you to the Bible, rather than point you to the Lord's voice. **"Woe be to them, for they have coupled an external form between the love of God to man,"** (from the voice of the Lord).

Yet, there are thousands of people every day, quietly listening, who hear the Lord, receiving his teachings and commands by revelation. There are fewer prophets in the world today, but these are increasing too.}

Now in the time of the prophets, those who were in the form and not in the power did forbid the prophets to prophesy, who said unto the seers, 'see not,' and to the prophets, 'prophesy not unto us right things,' Isa 30:10. 'but speak flattering things unto us:' and there are too many of those speakers these days, who cannot speak true prophecy, who will run and speak, and the Lord never sent them, as you may see in Jer 14:14, and such as prophesy right things they cannot support.

And in Amos 2:12, 'you (namely, professing Israel), commanded the prophets not to prophesy;' but professing christians who are of the same spirit without the profession, say prophecy has ceased. And in Joel 2:28, said the Lord, 'I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh, (it does not say upon some), and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, [mark, shall, this was to come to pass,] and your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions; and also upon the servants, and upon the hand-maids in those days will I pour out my spirit, said the Lord.' So mark, here are servants, hand-maids, young men, old men, sons and daughters; the Lord has promised he would pour out of his spirit upon them; and are not all these to enjoy those promises, yes, verily, God is faithful

that has promised it for his promises are yes, and amen in Christ. And was not this a fulfilling of (in Acts 2:14-19) namely, the prophecy of Joel, where the apostle said, 'in the last days said the Lord, I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams, and on my servants and hand-maids will I pour out of my spirit in those days, and they shall prophesy.' Now mark, you who say prophecy has ceased in your days; is not the last days the Christian's days, (namely), the days of Christ? Is not he the 'first and the last, the same today as yesterday, and forever.' God's servants and his hand-maids, who have his spirit poured upon them, they will prophesy; and those who have God's spirit poured upon them, the sons and daughters will prophesy this spiritual prophecy; and the young men and old men who have God's spirit poured upon them, they have their heavenly visions and heavenly dream. This we witness, though neither your young men, nor old men, servants, nor hand-maids, sons, nor daughters, nor yourselves; all who say, prophecy has ceased, and the same spirit is not to be looked for now as the apostles had. You might as well say faith and grace have ceased, nor none of these have visions or dreams, nor prophecies. So do not you keep your people in darkness, being in the darkness yourselves? But the apostle said, 'they shall prophesy;' and Philip had four daughters which prophesied, Acts 21:9, who were virgins, though your virgins do not; but those virgins who witness God's spirit, do prophesy, though you may be all amazed, and mock at it like the Jews mocked. Acts 2:11-12.

And the apostle said in Rom 12:6, 'seeing then, that we have gifts that are differing according to the grace, [mark,] according to the grace that is given unto us, whether we have prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith.' So here the apostles does not forbid it, and say it has ceased, as you do, but encourages it in the church, 'on the ministry, let us serve on the office; he who teaches, on teaching,' that is according to the grace given to them 'as God has dealt to every man a measure of faith.'

And the apostle said, in 1 Cor 13:9-10, 'And we prophesy in part, and when what is perfect has come, then what is in part shall be abolished;' so here he was encouraging the church to grow up unto a further degree, both in knowledge and prophecy; but if there were that love among you, which he speaks of in this chapter, then those things would be owned in their places, and the fulfillment of it waited for, and their prophesying in part owned, which is denied by you in your day; therefore you, who deny that, are not likely to grow up to a perfect state.

And the apostle said, 1 Cor 14:1,24-25. 'Follow after love, and covet spiritual gifts, but rather that you may prophesy; but if all prophesy, and there come in one that believes not, and unlearned, he is rebuked of all men, and is judged of all, and the secrets of his heart are made manifest, and will fall down and

worship God, and say, God is in you of a truth.' Now see this office of prophecy in the church, the effect of it, 'Let the prophets speak one or two, and let others judge; for you may all prophesy one by one, that all may learn, and all may be comforted;' you who say, prophecy is ceased these days among you, then this learning, and this comforting is ceased among you, and this manifesting the secrets of men's hearts is ceased among you, and this falling down and worshipping God, and saying God is in you of a truth, this is ceased among you who say prophecy is ceased; for this is the work and effect of prophecy in the church of Christ, which is the same to day as yesterday, and so forever; but he that prophesies speaks to men for exhortation, and to edification, and for comfort. Now you who say prophecy has ceased in your church these days, this edifying and speaking to men; and this exhortation and comfort is ceased; 'but he that prophesies,' said the apostle, 'edifies the church; for greater is he that prophesies, than he that speaks with divers tongues, therefore brethren covet to prophesy.' So you who say prophecy is ceased these days, then you say the edification is ceased; what you say has ceased is greater than speaking with several tongues, etc. and is what the brethren, the church, were to covet after, (namely), prophecy; therefore, how can you say, that you are either the true church or the true ministry, when you say prophecy has ceased, which was for the comforting and edification of the true church?

And you may see in Rev 11:9, how the kindreds and tongues were against the two witnesses that prophesied, and when they had killed them, they made merry over them, and sent their gifts one to another, but they rose again to their torment; and so does not the testimony of Jesus, the spirit of prophecy torment you now? And in 1 Cor 11:4, 'Every man praying or prophesying with his head covered, dishonors his head, and every woman praying or prophesying with her head uncovered, dishonors her head.' So you may see, here were men and women prophesying and praying in the church, and Hannah was a prophetess, and Huldah, and Miriam and Debora were prophetesses in the time of the law, therefore the apostle said, 1 Thes 5:20, 'Despise not prophesying.' And do not you despise it in others, that say it is ceased? And may you not as well deny prayer as prophecy, and say, prayer is ceased, as you say prophecy is ceased; for the apostle joins them together.

And in Rev 19:10, 'For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy,' said John the divine, mark, all you who are called christians in the whole world, and say prophecy is ceased in your day, and none must look for prophecy in your day; (mark well), is not the testimony of Jesus then ceased, the spirit of prophecy? And you do not have the testimony of Jesus because the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy; and so if prophecy is ceased, then the testimony of Jesus is ceased among you, who live in an outside profession of the saints' words. Did not everyone worship the beast, and drink the whore's cup, except

those who kept the faith, and testimony of Jesus, whose names were written in the book of the lamb which was slain from the foundation of the world?

And in Hosea 9:7, 'The prophet is a fool, and the spiritual man is mad.' Thus did the professing Jews esteem the Lord's prophets, and thus do the professing christians now account the spiritual men mad, and the prophet a fool. And in Prov 31:1-3, 'The words of king Lemuel, the prophecy that his mother taught him; what, my son; what, the son of my womb, and what, the son of my desires; give not your strength unto women, nor your ways which is to destroy kings.' Here is the prophecy which his mother taught him; and is not this prophecy to be learned of such as can teach it?

And the apostle said, in 1 Tim 4:14, 'Despise not the gift that is in you, which was given you by prophecy.' [Mark,] Here was a gift given to him by prophecy. Now you who deny prophecy, and say it has ceased, what then, is the gift ceased to you? Then how can you follow the practice of the holy men of God?

And in 2 Pet 1:19, 'But we also have a more sure word of prophecy, to which you do well that you take heed, as unto a light that shines in a dark place until the day dawns, and the day-star arises in your hearts. For the prophecy came not in the old time by the will of man; but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.' So first know this, 'that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation or motion.' So now mark, you who say 'prophecy is ceased,' then you might as well say that the spirit, which gave forth the scriptures, the Holy Spirit that moved them to speak them forth, has ceased; and you make a profession of the scriptures in the will of man, and your own private opinions of what came not by the will of man; and then you and your people do not know this sure word of prophecy, which they do well that take heed unto, as unto a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day-star arise in their hearts. Now, they do well who take heed unto this light that shines in a dark place, which is the sure word of prophecy. Now you, who say prophecy has ceased, might ask, 'how long must we take heed unto it?' The apostle and we tell you, 'until the day dawns, and the day-star arises in your hearts, that is how long you must take heed unto it.' Now, you do not do well, who do not take heed to this sure word of prophecy; for those who do heed this sure word of prophecy, do well; and those who do not, do poorly.

And now people consider, though it is the principle of your teachers to say, prophecy has ceased in your days; do you think you will ever come to the day-dawning, and the day-star arising in your hearts, unless you do first take heed to this most sure word of prophecy, as unto a light that shines in the dark place, [mark,] take heed unto it, until the day dawns, and the day-star arises in your hearts.

And it is said in 1 Cor 12:10, speaking of the several gifts in the church, to one the working of miracles, and to another prophesy, and to another the discerning of spirits; but all these gifts were from the one spirit, and the manifestation of the spirit of God was given to every man to profit withal; so no man can profit, but in the same spirit in which the holy men of God gave forth the scriptures, which you have said you have not the same, by which the several gifts flowed from, so not the same gifts, nor gift of prophecy in your church.

Now you may say, the law and the prophets were until John, which is true; but we tell you there were prophets after John, as well as before, as in Acts 19:6, when the Holy Spirit came upon them, they prophesied.

And the apostle said, 1 Tim 1:18, 'this commandment commit I unto thee, son Timothy, according to the prophecies that went before on you, that you by them should fight a good fight,' [mark,] should fight a good fight, according to the prophecies which went before on him, having faith and a good conscience, which some have put away, and concerning faith have made shipwreck; and such may say, prophecy is ceased, and a good conscience too; and that faith is ceased that works by love, which purifies the heart, and gives victory over the body of sin, (which they plead for to the grave), among those who were among the apostle. Then you may say, 'revelation is ceased, and grace is ceased, that brings salvation, and the knowledge of God and Christ (which is by revelation), is ceased.' But the revelation of the wrath and judgments of God such will feel, which is to be revealed from heaven against all that hold the truth in unrighteousness, and not in the spirit of revelation, that gave it forth.

The prophets, apostles, and Christ himself did not suffer by their persecutors as true prophets, but were persecuted by those who thought they were false prophets; though the persecutors then might get the words of the true prophets, as they have done since the apostles' days, who persecuted those who kept the testimony of Jesus, the spirit of prophecy, and had the true revelation of Jesus. They persecuted them as false prophets, as their forefathers persecuted the prophets, Christ, and the apostles. Likewise today those, who have not been in the life and spirit of the prophets, Christ nor the apostles, nor in their power, persecute today; so they were not in the spirit that gave forth scriptures, who persecuted Christ and his apostles, neither are they now who persecute today.

Those who turned against Moses and the prophets were transgressors of the law of God. So here you may see, that the birth that is born of the flesh persecuted the birth that is born of the spirit, which had the revelation of the Son of God, and kept the testimony of Jesus. And are not you of the same birth, who say, 'you do not have the same spirit as Christ and the apostles had;' then are you not, by your own judgment and rule, none of Christ's?

Now you who say, prophecy is ceased, the apostle tells you, 'that greater is he who prophesies, than he who speaks with tongues.' So then the greater has ceased among you.

And the apostle tells the church, 'but he that prophesies, speaks unto men to edification, and to exhortation, and to comfort.' Now, you who call yourselves apostles and teachers, and say, prophecy is ceased, then edification, exhortation and instruction has ceased among you.

And the apostle said, that 'prophesying serves not for those who don't believe, but for those who believe.' So may not you as well say, believing has ceased, as the service of God has ceased.

And again, the apostle said, 'you may all prophesy one by one, that all may learn, and all may be comforted.' So if prophecy be ceased among you, then this learning is ceased, and this comforting is ceased.

And again, the apostle said, 'therefore brethren, desire to prophesy.' Now you are of another mind, that say, it is ceased in your church, as you may see in 1 Cor 14, the chapter throughout; for if any man is ignorant let him be ignorant.

And also, the apostle bids the Thessalonians, 'quench not the spirit,' and you tell us, 'that you have not the same spirit as they had in the primitive times:' then you may say, 'how can you quench it, when you have it not?' then with what do you read the scriptures, but follow your own spirits, like the false prophets, and see nothing?

And the apostle bids the Thessalonians, 'despise not prophesying.' But you do not only despise it, but you deny it, for any such thing as prophecy to be in your church in your day; so you deny the true edification, and comfort, and learning, which was and is in the church of Christ, as you may see in 1 Thes 5 and in 1 Cor 14.

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And now concerning those who deny inspiration today.

In Job 32:8, 'surely there is a spirit in man, and the inspiration of the Almighty gives understanding.' [Mark,] the inspiration of the Almighty gives understanding.

Now all you who deny the inspiration of the Almighty, in these your days, to give you understanding; then I ask you, what understanding do you have? Is it not what must come to nothing? For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and bring to nothing the understanding of the intelligent.' 1 Cor 1:19.

And in 2 Tim 3:16, 'for all scriptures is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable,' ... 'that the man of God may be made perfect in all good works;' but not the men of the world, for they deny perfection.

Now if all holy scripture is given forth by inspiration of God, how can you know the scriptures who say, 'inspiration is ceased?'

'For the natural man perceives not the things of God; for they are foolishness to him.' And so was not the prophets' and apostles' words foolishness to the natural men in their natural profession?

And is it not so now to you christians, with all your tongues and languages, who say, inspiration has ceased, and yet, 'no man knows the things of God but by the spirit of God.' So as the scriptures were given forth by the inspiration of God, so they are known again by the same spirit. And therefore, Christ said, 'I will send you the spirit of truth, he shall lead you into all truth, and he shall bring to your memory the things that I have spoken, and he shall show you things to come,' and so make them prophets; 'and he shall take of mine, and give unto you.' So by this the apostles did know the scriptures, though they were unlearned men, many of them, outwardly. The Holy Spirit led them into the truth of the prophets and holy men of God, which spoke forth scriptures as they were moved by the Holy Spirit, and showed the fulfilling of them by Christ; and it brought to their memories what Christ had spoken to them, which afterwards they recorded, as you may see in the four evangelists. So the scriptures, which were given forth by divine inspiration of God, is known again by divine inspiration of God. Those who deny divine inspiration of God these days, do not know the scriptures that were given forth by inspiration. Therefore they are all in heaps about them and are not likely to know them except by that spirit that gave them forth. That key [the spirit] will open them, and the learned of tongues cannot read the book, though they have all the languages upon the earth, but do not have the spirit of inspiration these days, as they confess. So they had better be still, and wait upon the Lord for the spirit; else they will be found of the number of those who run, and the Lord never sent them, and speak when the Lord never spoke unto them, (and come under the reproof of God, and his prophets, and the scriptures), but know none of God's inspiration; for those who have inspiration, have the power and spirit they had which gave forth the scriptures. Those who have the form of godliness, and deny the power and spirit as the apostles were in, are to be turned away from; for the apostle said, turn away from such; for they keep people always learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth. Seeing the scriptures were given forth by divine inspiration, and are the things of God, they are not known again but by inspiration of the Holy Spirit, which leads into all truth. And the inspiration of the Almighty gives the understanding; and you who deny inspiration, deny this heavenly understanding. And you who have all the scriptures, from Genesis to the Revelation, yet you do not know them

[their true meaning] with your natural spirit of understanding, nor by all the tongues and languages since Babel; for none know them, but by the spirit of inspiration that gave them forth.

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