

Authority of Scripture

- There are many views regarding the authority of the NT Scriptures.
- After seeing the clear chain of command revealed in the Scriptures, we will conclude they are absolute. They must be obeyed.
- After seeing the authority of God and the authority of Jesus we will understand.
- The apostles, guided by the Holy Spirit only revealed what God and Jesus wanted.

Why does God have Authority? Rev 4:9

- *Worthy are You, our Lord and our God, to receive glory and honor and power; for You created all things, and because of Your will they existed, and were created.*

GOOD

You are worthy are you our Lord and Our God

To receive glory, honor and power

Rev 4:9-11

For You created

And by your will

all things

they existed were created

Rom. 1:20-21

- *For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse, 21 because, although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful,*

GOOD

Glorify him as God

Give Thanks

Rom 1:20-21

Respect

Reverence

Awe

Submission

Rom. 11:33-36

- *Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and His ways past finding out! 34 "For who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has become His counselor?" 35 'Or who has first given to Him And it shall be repaid to him?" 36 For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be glory forever. Amen.*

GOOD

Who has been His counsellor?

Who has first given to Him?

Rom 11:33-36

Of Him

Unto Him

Through Him

Are ALL Things

1Peter 1:14-17

- *as obedient children, not conforming yourselves to the former lusts, as in your ignorance; 15 but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, 16 because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy." 17 And if you call on the Father, who without partiality judges according to each one's work, conduct yourselves throughout the time of your stay here in fear;*

GOOD

**As he who called you is holy
he also holy in all manner of living**

1 Pet 1:14-17

If you call on

Pass your time

him as Father

here in fear

If we do not respect & reverence

**Always be tempted to set aside God's
clear commands**

**it makes perfect sense if we think we are as
competent as God to tinker and modify His
will and commands**

**Only safe when we see our relationship to
God as a recipient & not contributor.**

GOOD

Trust in Jehovah with all your heart

Don't lean on own understanding

Pr 3:5-7

**He will direct
your paths**

**Be not wise in
your own eyes**

JESUS

What did he Expect?

Mt 7:21-23

Mt 15:7-9

Jn 15:9-10

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Matt 7:21-23

"Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. 22 Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?' 23 And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!'"

Mt 15:7-9, 13

- *7 Hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophesy about you, saying: 8 "These people draw near to Me with their mouth, And honor Me with their lips, But their heart is far from Me. 9 And in vain they worship Me, Teaching as doctrines the commandments of men." ... 13 But He answered and said, "Every plant which My heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted.*

John 14:15, 21; 15:9-10

- *15 If you love Me, keep My commandments.*
- *21 He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him."*
- *"As the Father loved Me, I also have loved you; abide in My love. 10 If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love.*

JESUS

What did He Expect?

All Authority - Mt 28:18-20

No one comes Jn 14:6

None other is their salvation - Acts 4:12

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Matt 28:18-20

- *And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.*

John 14:6; Acts 4:12

- *6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.*
- *12 Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."*

Apostles

Delegated Authority

Jn 13:20;

Lk 10:16;

Mt 28:20

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Apostles

Holy Spirit Guided

I Cor 2:9-13

Jn 16:12-13; 14:26

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1Cor 2:9-12

- *But as it is written: "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man The things which God has prepared for those who love Him." 10 But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God. 11 For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God. 12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God.*

John 14:26; 16:12-13

- *But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.*
- *"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. 13 However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth;*

Scripture

All Truth

Eph 3:3-5

II Pet 1:3

Jude 3

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Eph 3:3-5

- *3 how that by revelation He made known to me the mystery (as I have briefly written already, 4 by which, when you read, you may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ),*
- *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 1:3-4*
- *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 3-4*

Respect for Scripture

**Don't add or take from Rev. 22:18-19;
2Jn. 9-11**

Don't Change Gal 1:6-9

Don't go beyond I Cor 4:6

We all have to pull together on these things