

Did God stop speaking after Christ ascended into Heaven?

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Question: [*Did God stop speaking after Christ ascended into Heaven?*](#)

Answer(s)

No. God has not changed. He continues to speak. As it is written, Jesus Christ, who is the incarnate word of God, is *the same yesterday, today, and forever* (John 1:1-16 & Hebrews 13:8). He never ceases being *the Word of God* (Malachi 3:6 with Psalm 119 & Isaiah 55:10,11). As He has spoken in times past, so shall He speak to us today and on into the future (Isaiah 9:6,7 with John 20:21-31). And we should be very thankful that He does. For as it is written, *man doth not live by bread only, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the Lord doth man live* (Deuteronomy 8:3). To conclude otherwise is to deny that Jesus Christ is the Good Shepherd and Bishop of our souls (John 10:11-16 with I Peter 2:25). His sheep in all ages have known (those in the past), do know (those in the present), and will know (those in the future) His voice and, accordingly, have, are, and will follow Him (John 10:2-4).

A review of *all* scripture clearly shows that God is a living God, One who is continually engaged in and with His creation; One who continually performs and confirms all of His works and words through His spoken Word, Jesus Christ (Genesis 1 - Revelation 22). Therefore, it is vital that we recall the words of Jesus which He spoke to two of His disciples as they walked together along the road to Emmaus following His resurrection. He said, "***O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken!***" (Luke 24:24). So that we may not be considered by our Lord to be *fools* and *slow of heart to believe*, should we not read and study the scriptures which His Holy Spirit has caused to be written and preserved for our benefit and edification (cf. I Corinthians 10:11, II Timothy 3:16,17, II Thessalonians 5:16-21, II Peter 1:16-21, etc.)?

While I find it best to read and study scriptures in printed form, if you do not have a set of scriptures, throughout much of the world, the free world at least, access to scriptures is readily available via the World Wide Web on the Internet. Here are two examples of the many excellent websites providing open and convenient access to the scriptures and many commentaries through easy-to-use search options:

- <http://www.biblegateway.com/>
- <http://www.restoredgospel.com/Scriptures/Search.asp>

However, please keep in mind that while search programs are convenient, it is imperative that we do not come to rely upon them to routinely find words or passages of scriptures. For it is written:

*Thus saith the Lord;
Cursed be the man that trusteth in man,
and maketh flesh his arm;
And the man whose heart departeth from the Lord.*

Jeremiah 17:5

Rather, we must come to rely upon the Holy Ghost, the Spirit of truth, to bring our Lord's words to our remembrance and, thereby, guide us into all truth in the presence of our Heavenly Father. For as it is also written:

*Jesus saith unto him,
I am the way, the truth, and the life;
No man cometh unto the Father,
but by me.*

John 14:6

*If you love me,
keep my commandments.
And I will pray the Father,
and he shall give you another Comforter,
that he may abide with you forever;
Even the Spirit of truth;
whom the world cannot receive,
because it seeth him not,
neither knoweth him;
But ye know him;
for he dwelleth with you,
and shall be in you.
I will not leave you comfortless;
I will come to you.*

John 14:15-18

*These things have I spoken unto you,
being yet present with you
But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost,
whom the Father will send in my name,
He shall teach you all things,*

*and bring all things to your remembrance,
whatsoever I have said unto you.*

John 14:25,26

*Howbeit when he, **the Spirit of truth**, is come
he will guide you into all truth;
For he shall not speak of himself;
but whatsoever he shall hear,
that shall he speak;
and he will show you things to come.
He shall glorify me;
for he shall receive of mine,
and shall show it unto you.*

John 16:13,14

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