



THE APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH

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DIVINE WITNESSES

SCRIPTURAL LESSON: *I John 5:1-15*

GOSPEL TRUTH:

Divine witnesses “. . . preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!” (*Romans 10:15*). “For it is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaketh in you” (*Matthew 10:20*).

GOLDEN SCRIPTURE:

Ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I am he: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me. I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour (Isaiah 43:10-11).

THE APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH DOCTRINES:

1. Three women were the first eyewitnesses to see firsthand that Jesus did the impossible by resurrecting from the dead (*Mark 16:1-8*).
2. Peter testified as an eyewitness of God’s glory seeing the transfiguration (*II Peter 1:16*).
3. At Jacob’s well in Samaria, Jesus offered a Samaritan woman salvation’s Living Water versus the water from the depths of the well. As a converted, saved woman she went back to the village witnessing saying “come and see” and sharing salvation (*John 4:26-28*).
4. Knowing the identity of Jesus and being identified with Him is the key to the Kingdom of God. He is the ideal model and trustworthy to be embraced and followed (*Matthew 11:28*).
5. Perilous times require a greater reliance on the Word of God. Search the scriptures and supernatural experiences will be revealed to inspire believers (*James 1:25*).

6. John the Baptist is an example of a true witness. “*He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light*” (*John 1:8*). John the Baptist was given foreknowledge of Jesus, diligently heeded and lived up to his calling, and testified of his experience even from the walls of prison (*Matthew 11:3*).

BACKGROUND SETTING:

Jesus was a “greater witness.” His self-attestation and affirmation of His authenticity and of the authenticity of the Father that sent Him was phenomenal (*John 18:18*). Designated to be living testimonies (witnesses), Jesus commanded His followers to “Go ye therefore, and teach all nations . . .” (*Matthew 28:19-20*). They were to teach, instruct and to baptize converts by water immersion in His name. The salient point was to maintain God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Ghost are One! They were to teach converts to observe all that He commanded them, changing nothing. This glorious commission is twofold: missionary and pastoral. John the Beloved brings forward the testimony consistent with God’s Sovereign power and self-existence, assuring each believer they are standing in the holy place (*Matthew 24:15*). Throughout the ages Spirit-directed witnesses have prepared His Church against inevitable heresy, and will continue to do so.

LESSON SUMMARY:

The Sovereignty and deity of the Godhead is definable. Access to Him is only achieved through His Word (*Genesis 3:24*). John the Beloved, openly showed that Jesus is the true God, and eternal life (*I John 5:20*). The Spirit bears witness to these truths: The Father, The Word, and The Holy Ghost are one entity (*John 1:14; I John 5:7*). “*And there are three that bear witnesses in earth, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one*” (*I John 5:8*), speaking the same doctrine. God has given us revelation to the mystery of Godliness (*I Timothy 3:16*). His truth fully guarantees salvation.

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