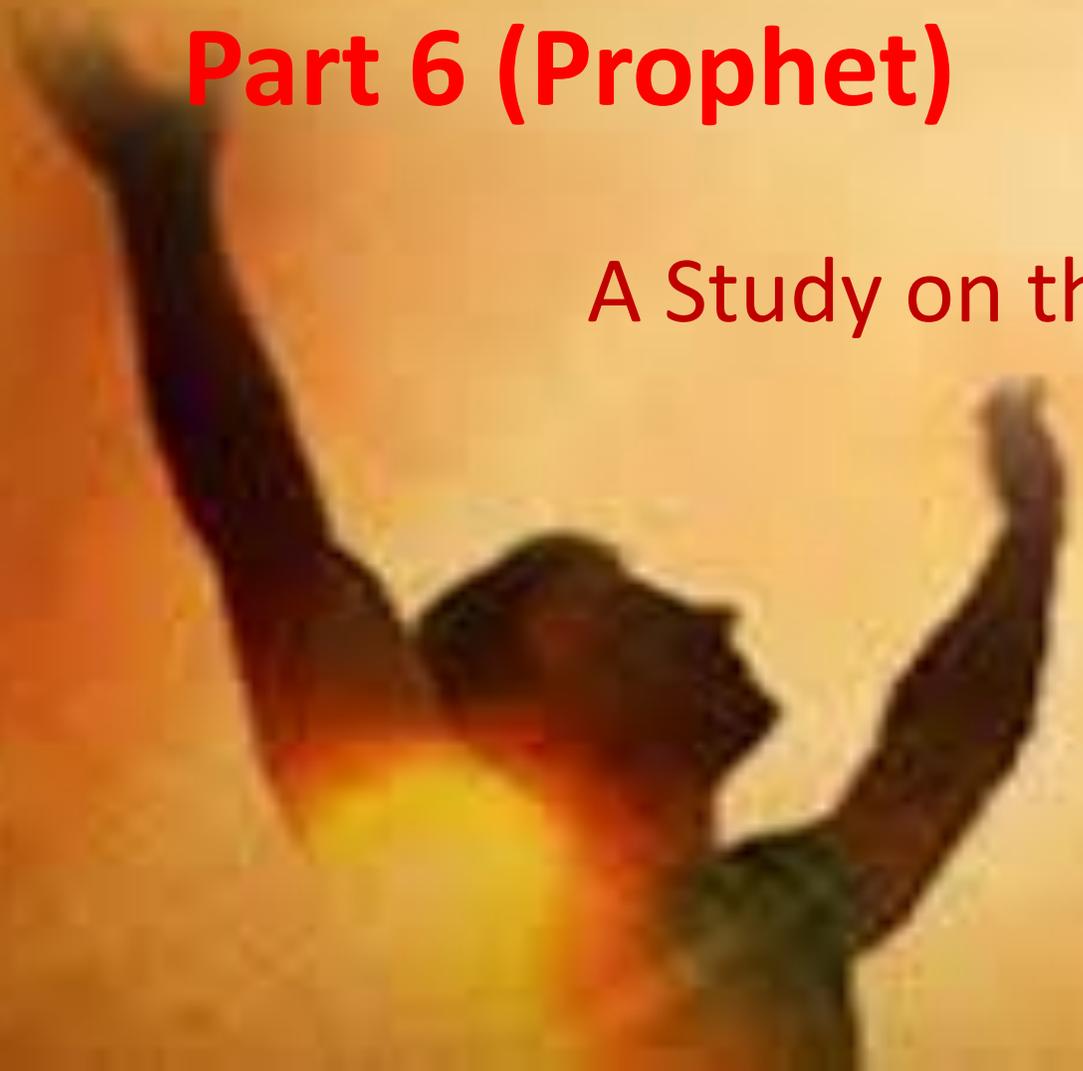


“For Heaven’s Sake, What are you doing?”

Part 6 (Prophet)

A Study on the Gifts of the Spirit



1 CORINTHIANS 12:28-31 (NKJV)

28 AND GOD HAS APPOINTED THESE IN THE CHURCH: FIRST APOSTLES, SECOND PROPHETS, THIRD TEACHERS, AFTER THAT MIRACLES, THEN GIFTS OF HEALINGS, HELPS, ADMINISTRATIONS, VARIETIES OF TONGUES.

29 ARE ALL APOSTLES? ARE ALL PROPHETS? ARE ALL TEACHERS? ARE ALL WORKERS OF MIRACLES?



**30 DO ALL HAVE GIFTS OF HEALINGS? DO ALL
SPEAK WITH TONGUES? DO ALL INTERPRET?**

**31 BUT EARNESTLY DESIRE THE BEST GIFTS. AND
YET I SHOW YOU A MORE EXCELLENT WAY.**

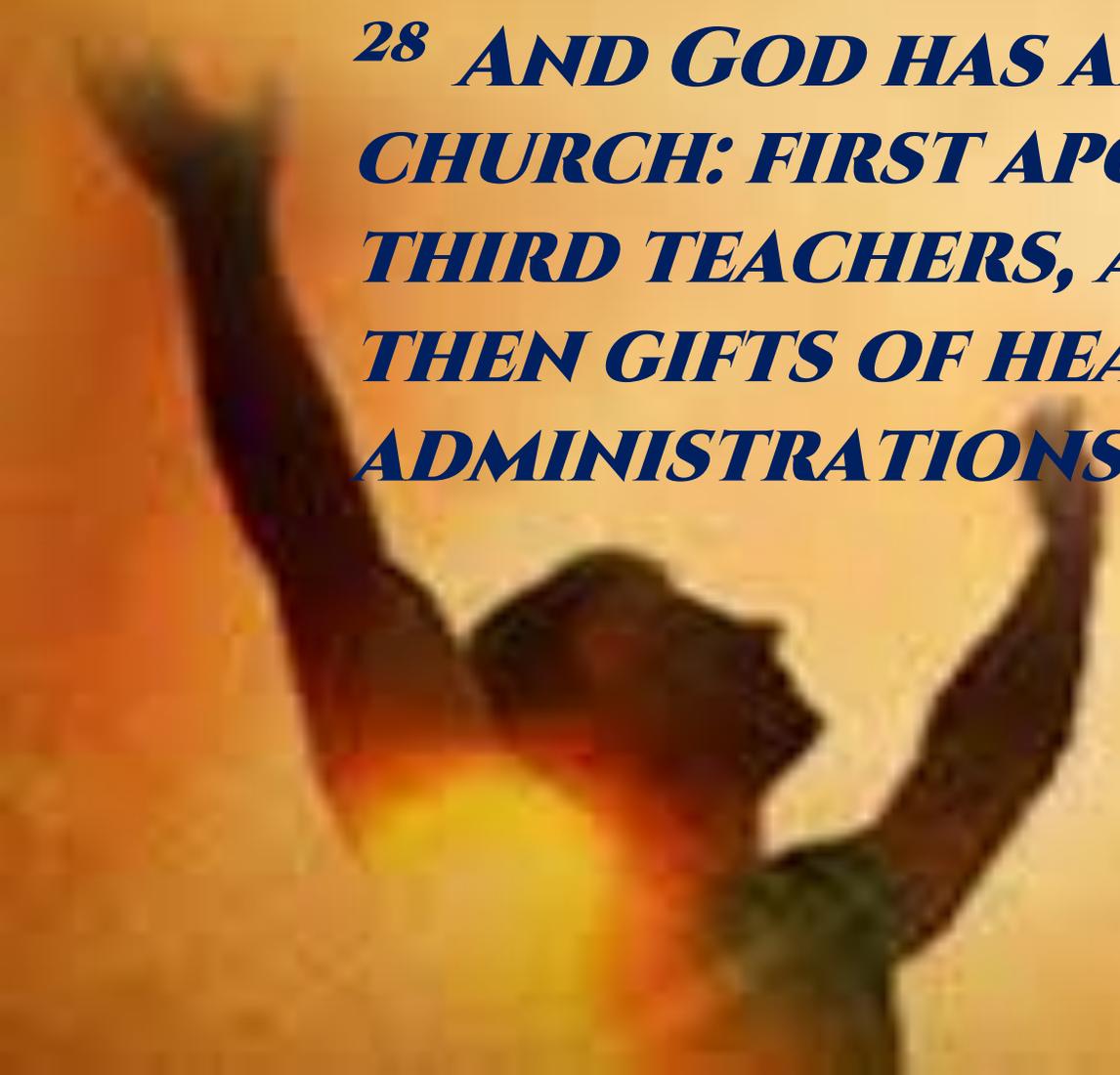


**We are instructed to desire
the best gifts.**



What are the best gifts, the greater gifts?

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**Why are these gifts the greatest
to be desired?**



1 CORINTHIANS 14:1-5 (NKJV)

***1 PURSUE LOVE, AND DESIRE SPIRITUAL GIFTS,
BUT ESPECIALLY THAT YOU MAY PROPHECY.***

***2 FOR HE WHO SPEAKS IN A TONGUE DOES NOT
SPEAK TO MEN BUT TO GOD, FOR NO ONE
UNDERSTANDS HIM; HOWEVER, IN THE SPIRIT HE
SPEAKS MYSTERIES.***

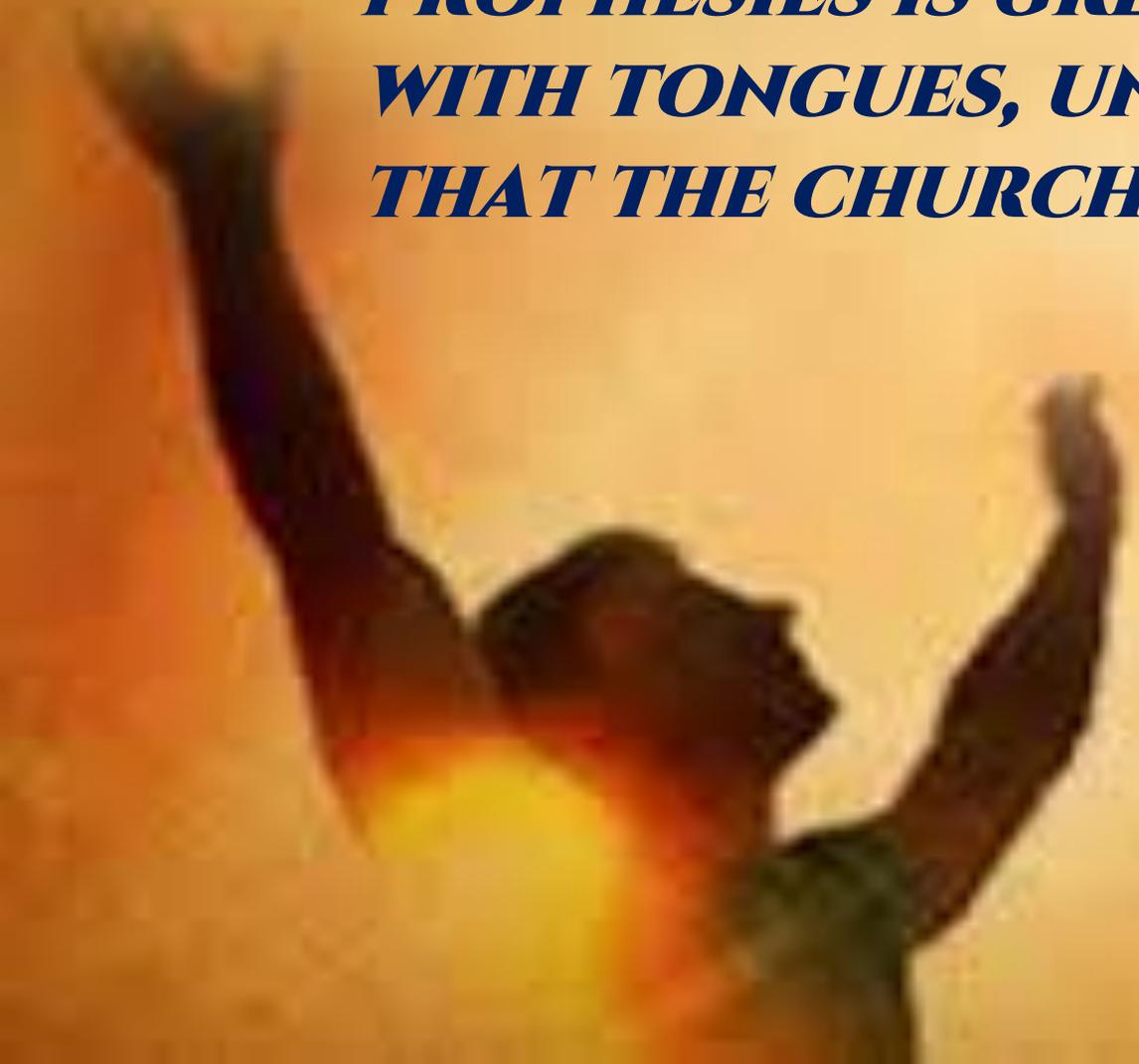


***3 BUT HE WHO PROPHESES SPEAKS EDIFICATION
AND EXHORTATION AND COMFORT TO MEN.***

***4 HE WHO SPEAKS IN A TONGUE EDIFIES HIMSELF,
BUT HE WHO PROPHESES EDIFIES THE CHURCH.***



***5 I WISH YOU ALL SPOKE WITH TONGUES, BUT
EVEN MORE THAT YOU PROPHESED; FOR HE WHO
PROPHESES IS GREATER THAN HE WHO SPEAKS
WITH TONGUES, UNLESS INDEED HE INTERPRETS,
THAT THE CHURCH MAY RECEIVE EDIFICATION.***

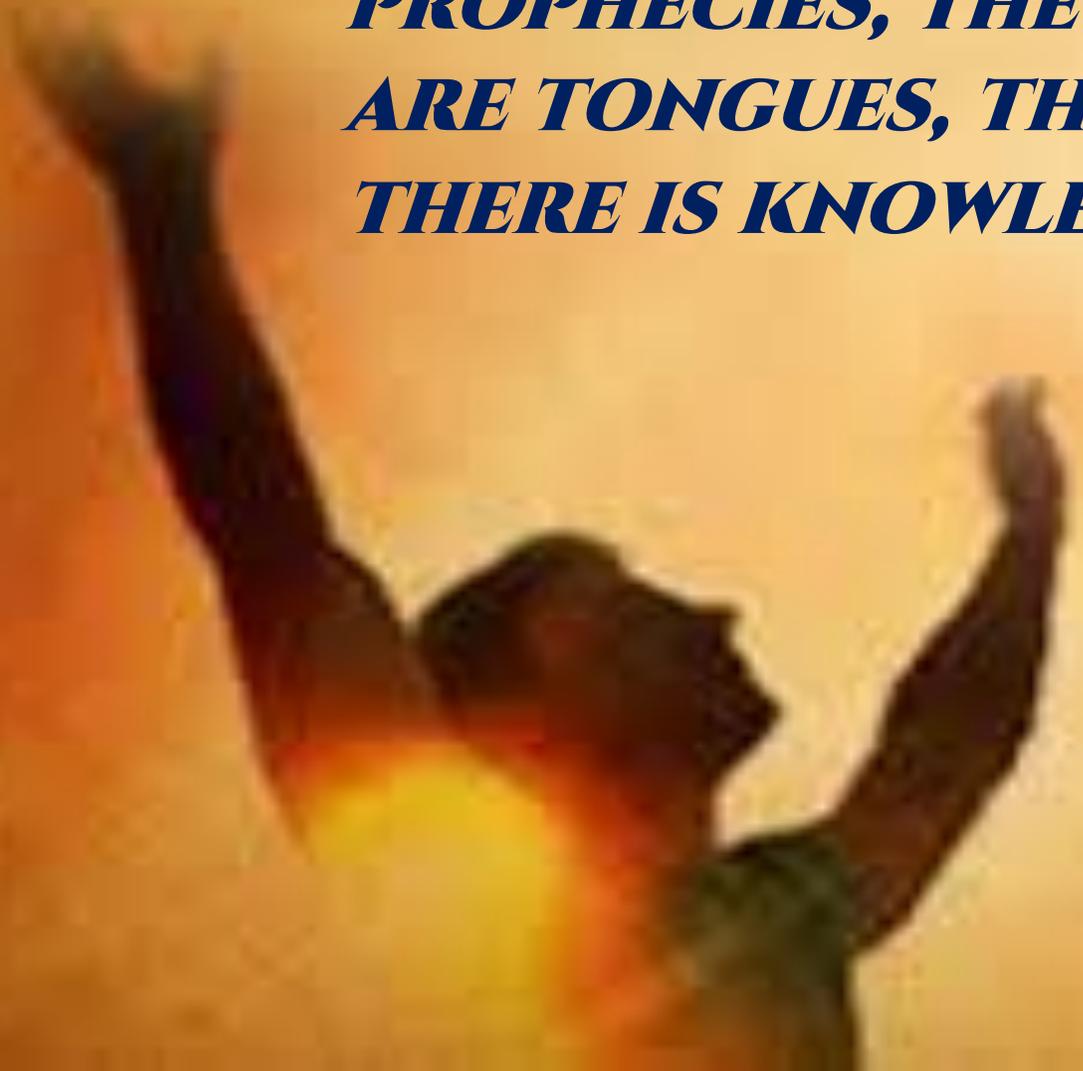


Many denominations reject the idea that there are modern day prophets using I Corinthians 13:8-10 as proof.



1 CORINTHIANS 13:8-10 (NKJV)

8 LOVE NEVER FAILS. BUT WHETHER THERE ARE PROPHECIES, THEY WILL FAIL; WHETHER THERE ARE TONGUES, THEY WILL CEASE; WHETHER THERE IS KNOWLEDGE, IT WILL VANISH AWAY.



9 FOR WE KNOW IN PART AND WE PROPHECY IN PART.

10 BUT WHEN THAT WHICH IS PERFECT HAS COME, THEN THAT WHICH IS IN PART WILL BE DONE AWAY.



**Cessation: Some gifts have died.
They are unnecessary now that
we have the Bible.**

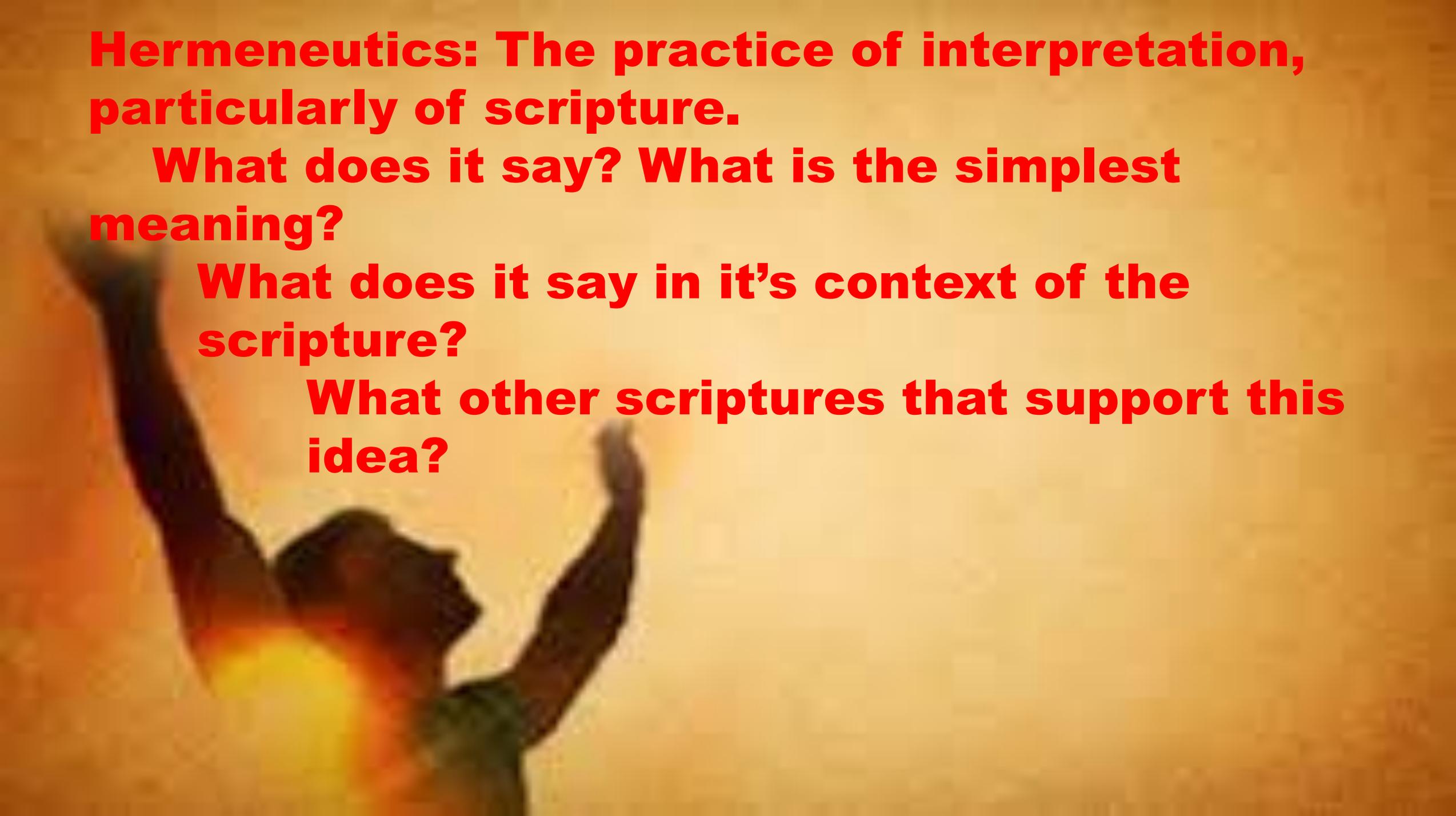


Hermeneutics: The practice of interpretation, particularly of scripture.

What does it say? What is the simplest meaning?

What does it say in it's context of the scripture?

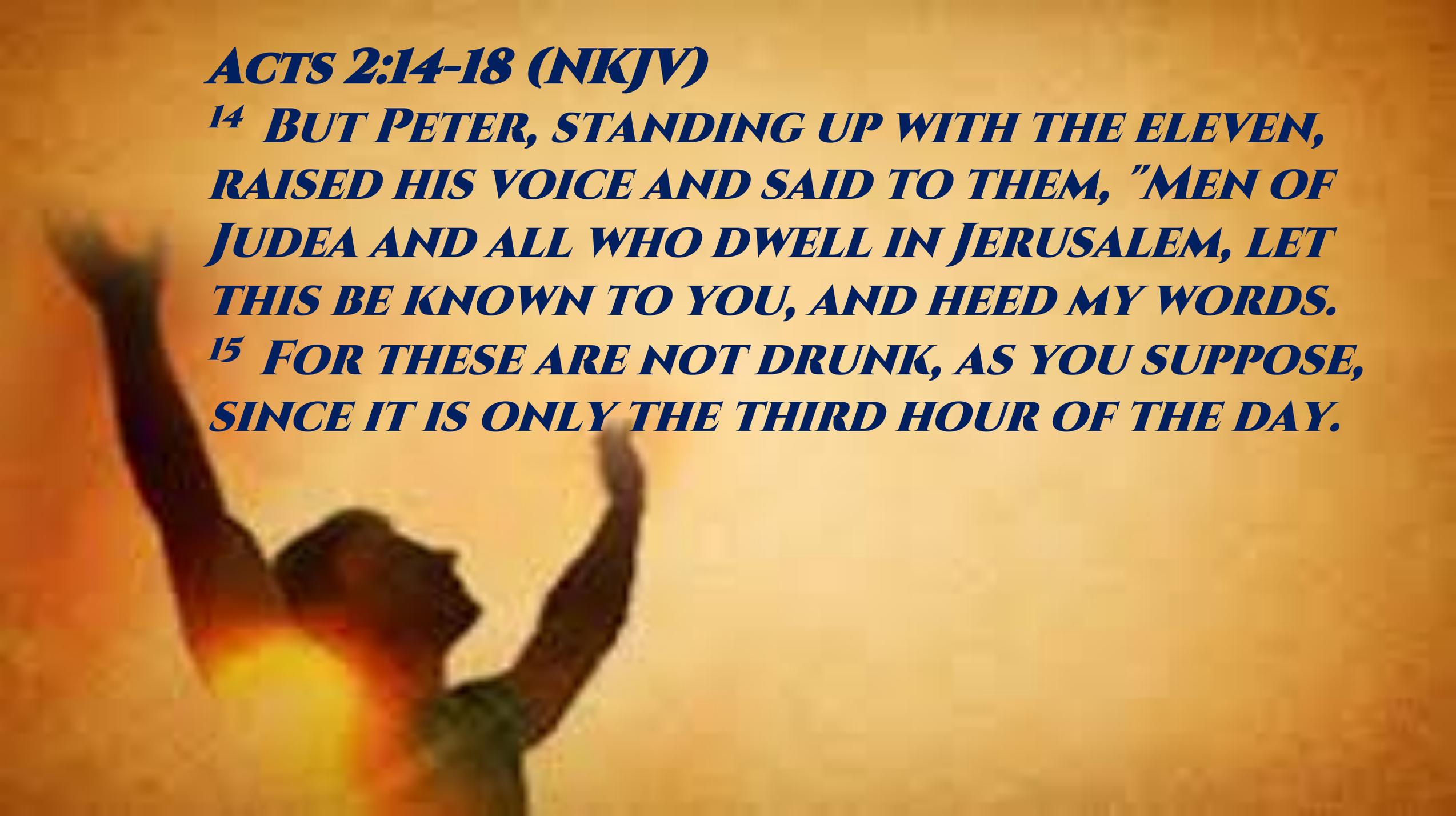
What other scriptures that support this idea?



ACTS 2:14-18 (NKJV)

14 BUT PETER, STANDING UP WITH THE ELEVEN, RAISED HIS VOICE AND SAID TO THEM, "MEN OF JUDEA AND ALL WHO DWELL IN JERUSALEM, LET THIS BE KNOWN TO YOU, AND HEED MY WORDS.

15 FOR THESE ARE NOT DRUNK, AS YOU SUPPOSE, SINCE IT IS ONLY THE THIRD HOUR OF THE DAY.



**16 BUT THIS IS WHAT WAS SPOKEN BY THE
PROPHET JOEL:**

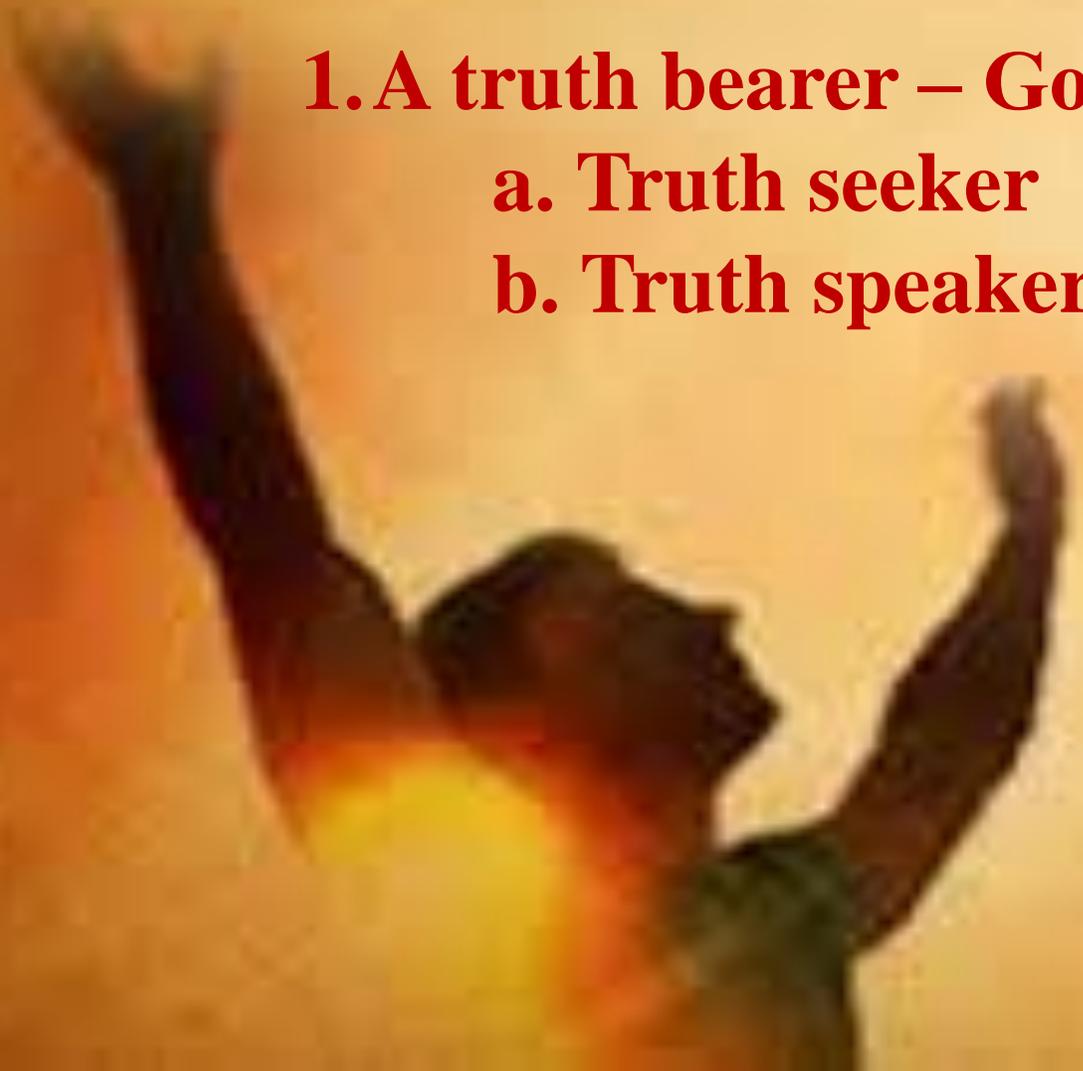
***17 'AND IT SHALL COME TO PASS IN THE LAST
DAYS, SAYS GOD, THAT I WILL POUR OUT OF MY
SPIRIT ON ALL FLESH; YOUR SONS AND YOUR
DAUGHTERS SHALL PROPHECY, YOUR YOUNG MEN
SHALL SEE VISIONS, YOUR OLD MEN SHALL DREAM
DREAMS.***

**18 AND ON MY MENSERVANTS AND ON MY
MAIDSERVANTS I WILL POUR OUT MY SPIRIT IN
THOSE DAYS; AND THEY SHALL PROPHECY.**



Characteristics of a Prophet

- 1. A truth bearer – God’s truth is of utmost importance.**
 - a. Truth seeker**
 - b. Truth speaker**



2. They are sensitive to the Word of God

a. The written Word

b. The spoken Word.



3. They feel compelled to point our sinful behavior and call people to repentance .



Who does God use as Prophets?









