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Ephesians 4:11; 1 Corinthians 12:28-29

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**-What is an Apostle?**

Answer: Apostle comes from the Greek word “Apostolos,” which means ambassador, messenger, one who is sent, or one who is sent to send. An Apostle is also a foundation layer for the Body of Christ (Eph. 2:20).

**-Where does the foundation of Apostles come from?**

Answer: through Jesus Christ and the Father (Luke 11:49; 1 Corinthians 4:9; Ephesians 2:20).

**-When is Apostleship referenced in the Bible?**

Answer: After Jesus gave HIS students/Disciples’ power (dunamis: ability) as referenced in Matt. 10:1-2.

Note: Apostleship became active for them after carrying out the commands (assignments) given by Jesus (Matt. 11:1; Mark 6:7, 30). Key point is that when they returned from fulfilling HIS assignment,, they were identified as Apostles (Mark 6:30; Luke 9:10).

**-Is Apostleship foundational on an identity of Christ?**

Answer: Yes, by scripture, HE is even identified as the Chief cornerstone (Akrogoniaios: extreme foundation, Senior & First) - Apostle (Ephesians 4:20).

Note: the root word “Akron” means the uttermost in heaven and in earth.

**-Are the 12 Apostles Jesus appointed in the gospels the only authentic Apostles?**

Answer: No, by scripture, Mathias was an Apostle appointed by the other 11 to replace Judas (Acts 1:25-26). Paul was also appointed an Apostle after the original 12 (1 Cor. 1:1, 1 Cor. 9:1). Also note Paul was referenced as an Apostle of gentile background (Romans 11:13). This speaks to the fact that GOD calls Gentiles to operate in the gifting of the Apostle beyond those of Jewish culture and background.

**-Is Apostleship doctrinal?**

Answer: Yes, and it is actually the only doctrinal faith/mantling/movement referenced by scripture (Acts 2:43). Please note however, the apostolic (Apostles’ Doctrine) is not a denomination but a mantling or gifting bestowed upon (up-on) individuals.

**-Can there still be Apostles in the earth-realm as of today?**

Answer: Yes, because Jesus makes the statement that prophets and Apostles (plural) will be sent (Luke 11:49). Paul also declares that there are some that are given in Ephesians 4:11 and this was after the original 12 were chosen. Key point to recognize is that Paul makes this comment well after his choosing by Christ.

**-Are there false Apostles?**

Answer: Yes, due to their deceitful work (2 Corinthians 11:13)

**-Is there any significant purpose in still Apostles?**

Answer: Yes, because some of the grace we walk into is due to the anointing or gifting of the authority of the Apostle due to obedience to GOD (Acts 4:33; Romans 1:5).

To manifest signs and wonders among the people (primarily non-believers) (Acts 5:12).

Give the gifting of the Holy Spirit by the laying on of hands (Acts 8:18).

Be appointed unto death to endure the struggles of the world (including being thought crazy) and remain wise in Christ as an example to others (1 Cor. 4:5-16; 2 Cor. 12:11-12).

To receive revelation from GOD (Eph. 3:5).

**-What are some of the Attributes of the Apostle?**

Answer: Some of them are made foundational by Paul in 1 Corinthians 9:1-2.

Apostles must also be students to Christ (Luke 6:13).

Apostles also had the attribute of beginning ministries.

Apostles are ordained preachers/spokesmen for GOD (1 Tim. 2:7; 2 Tim. 1:11).

Apostles are servants of GOD with their effectiveness based on their exclusive level of faith (Titus 1:1).

**-Is there any seniority in Apostleship?**

Answer: Yes, they are called Chief-Apostles due to their seniority which also is associated with the title of Bishop (2 Cor. 11:5; 2 Cor. 12:11).

Note: the last record of the original 12 Apostles is associated with them being in the office of the Bishop (even to Judas, Acts 1:20).

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