

- 8 So the Lord called Samuel again for the third time. And he arose and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." And Eli discerned that the Lord was calling the boy.
- 9 And Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down, and it shall be if He calls you, that you shall say, "Speak, Lord, for Thy servant is listening." So Samuel went and lay down in his place.
- 10 Then the Lord came and stood and called as at other times, "Samuel, Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for Thy servant is listening."
- 11 And the Lord said to Samuel, "Behold, I am about to do a thing in Israel at which both ears of everyone who hears it will tingle."

Acts 26:12-16

- 12 While thus engaged as I was journeying to Damascus with the authority and commission of the chief priests,
- 13 at midday, O King, I saw on the way a light from heaven, brighter than the sun, shining all around me and those who were journeying with me.
- 14 And when we had all fallen to the ground, I heard a voice saying to me in the Hebrew dialect, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me? It is hard for you to kick against the goads."
- 15 And I said, "Who art Thou, Lord?" And the Lord said, "I am Jesus whom you are persecuting.
- 16 But arise, and stand on your feet; for this purpose I have appeared to you, to appoint you a minister and a witness, not only to the things which you have seen, but also to the things in which I will appear to you."

I. Revelation by prophetic declaration through human instruments

There are literally hundreds of cases in Scripture in which the Word of the Lord came to a man, or came by a man. Sometimes it appears that the message came to the mind of the man first, and he subsequently spoke the message orally or committed it to writing. In other cases it appears as if the message was being given to the prophet as he was uttering it. In either case he is said to have been speaking the Word of God.

m. Revelation through Incarnation

The Lord Jesus Christ is spoken of as the incarnate Word of God:

John 1:1, 14, 18

- 1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
- 14 And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, as we beheld His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.