

# Sermon Series – “Why I Believe”

## Part 9 – “Love Letters from Jesus”

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**Scripture Reading:** Ephesians 4:11-16; **Supporting Text:** 2 Peter 1:20-21

As our \_\_\_\_\_ was preparing His disciples for His departure, He promised them that He would not \_\_\_\_\_ them comfortless. Scripture tells us that when He \_\_\_\_\_ captivity captive, He sent some gifts for His believers that would equip and edify them for ministry and would serve to unify them as His body. The Holy Spirit was the Divine Bearer of this \_\_\_\_\_, and it was His responsibility to distribute these gifts as He willed. All the gifts are important for the church, but there was one that was given an almost direct \_\_\_\_\_ to the portals of Heaven that none of the others was granted. Through this \_\_\_\_\_ of communication, Christ gave special testimony to His church from His heart of \_\_\_\_\_, to shield them from the \_\_\_\_\_ crises ahead and provide \_\_\_\_\_ in the ever-increasing darkness of the \_\_\_\_\_ days. How would Jesus deliver these special \_\_\_\_\_ to His church, and what was their purpose since they already had the Scriptures? \_\_\_\_\_ us pray as we study.

### Christ’s Loving Testimony – ( \_\_\_\_\_ )

1. What \_\_\_\_\_ is Paul giving about the gifts and why we need them? *Ep 4:11-16*
2. What do we know about prophets from Jesus’ word \_\_\_\_\_? *John 5:31-35 (1:5-8)*
3. What \_\_\_\_\_ is there between prophets and the Scriptures? *John 5:32, 39*
4. What can we \_\_\_\_\_ from Jesus’ method of giving His testimony? *Rev. 1:1-3; 19:10*
5. Will the work of prophets continue in earth’s \_\_\_\_\_ days? *Rev. 10:8-11; Joel 2:28-32*

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Lift up Jesus, you that teach the people, lift Him up in sermon, in song, in prayer. Let all your powers be directed to pointing souls, confused, bewildered, lost, to “the Lamb of God.” Lift Him up, the risen Saviour, and say to all who hear, Come to Him who “hath loved us, and hath given Himself for us.” [Ephesians 5:2.] Let the science of salvation be the burden of every sermon, the theme of every song. Let it be poured forth in every supplication. Bring nothing into your preaching to supplement Christ, the wisdom and power of God. Hold forth the word of life, presenting Jesus as the hope of the penitent and the stronghold of every believer. Reveal the way of peace to the troubled and the despondent, and show forth the grace and completeness of the Saviour.

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*May the light of His continued love shine in our hearts until He comes!*