

# *What We Take for Granted When We Read Paul*

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*“I speak to you Gentiles, inasmuch as I am the apostle of the Gentiles, I magnify mine office” (Romans 11:13).*

1. That Paul is speaking directly from the Lord to us (I Thessalonians 4:2).
2. Therefore, that he knows the mind of God for us (I Corinthians 2:16).
3. That he speaks with final authority: that the Lord Jesus will back up his words (I Corinthians 14:37).
4. That we, being Gentiles, his words take precedence over ALL Scripture to us Romans 11:13).
5. That the risen Christ is speaking in him in a completeness which, even if it sets aside temple worship, and all Jewish matters, as such, must govern our very thoughts, as to our relationship to God and or worship of Him (Ephesians 3:1-5).
6. That there is therefore no appeal from Paul to Christ (in the Gospels), for Christ risen speaks in Paul, in the full value of all His atoning work – which was not possible in the Gospels, not even in John (Romans 15:8).
7. That therefore, to reject Paul’s words is to reject Christ. *Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that receiveth whomsoever I send receiveth Me; and he that receiveth Me receiveth Him that sent Me,”* (John 13:20).

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