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1 Corinthians 14:26-33 (CSB)
²⁶ What then, brothers and sisters? Whenever you come together, each one has a hymn, a teaching, a revelation, another tongue, or an interpretation. Everything is to be done for building up.

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1 Corinthians 14:26-33 (CSB)
²⁷ If anyone speaks in another tongue, there are to be only two, or at the most three, each in turn, and let someone interpret.
²⁸ But if there is no interpreter, that person is to keep silent in the church and speak to himself and God.

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1 Corinthians 14:26-33 (CSB)

²⁹ Two or three prophets should speak, and the others should evaluate.

³⁰ But if something has been revealed to another person sitting there, the first prophet should be silent.



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1 Corinthians 14:26-33 (CSB)

³¹ For you can all prophesy one by one, so that everyone may learn and everyone may be encouraged.

³² And the prophets' spirits are subject to the prophets,

³³ since God is not a God of disorder but of peace.



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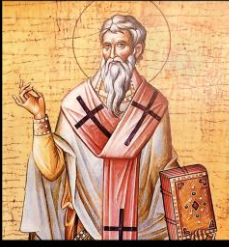


"For the prophetical gifts remain with us, even to the present time."

Justin Martyr 100-258 AD



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Irenaeus 130-202 AD

"Others have foreknowledge of things to come: they see visions, and utter prophetic expressions. Others still, heal the sick by laying hands upon them...It is not possible to name the number of gifts which the church, (scattered) throughout the whole world, has received from God..."

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Tertullian 155-220 AD

"For, seeing that we acknowledge spiritual charismata, or gifts, we too have merited the attainment of the prophetic gift..."

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Prophecy today is when the Holy Spirit brings something to the mind of a believer to be shared with another believer.



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Prophecy in the church today is not authoritative or on the same level as scripture.



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The Apostle Paul said we should seek it and desire it. We should not despise it, even if we have seen it misused or abused in the church.




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All believers have permission to prophecy, but according to the will of God, not all believers are gifted with the ability to prophecy.




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God can speak to us prophetically about our future, but it is not "fortune telling."




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1 Corinthians 14:32-33 (CSB)
³² And the prophets' spirits are subject to the prophets,
³³ since **God is not a God of disorder** but of **peace**.



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1) Prophecy should be conducted in a way that is orderly and peaceful.



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1 Corinthians 14:29 (CSB)

Two or three prophets should speak,
and the others should **evaluate**.



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1 Thessalonians 5:19-21 (NIV)

¹⁹ **Do not quench the Spirit.**

²⁰ Do not treat **prophecies**
with contempt

²¹ but **test** them all...



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2) While not everyone has the gift
of prophecy, it seems that anyone
with the Holy Spirit and knowledge
of the Scriptures can test a
prophetic word.



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1 Corinthians 13:9-12 (CSB)

⁹ For we know in part, and we prophesy in part,
¹⁰ but when the perfect comes, the partial will come to an end.



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1 Corinthians 13:9-12 (CSB)

¹¹ When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put aside childish things.
¹² For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror, but then face to face.



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A) Does the prophetic message contradict what God has already communicated through His written word?



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1 Corinthians 14:37-38 (CSB)

³⁷ If anyone thinks he is a **prophet** or spiritual, he should recognize that what I **write to you** is the Lord's command.

³⁸ If anyone ignores this, he will be ignored.



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B) Is the prophetic word ultimately encouraging the church?



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C) Does the prophetic word maintain the order and flow of what God is already doing?



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1 Corinthians 14:29-30 (CSB)

²⁹ Two or three prophets should speak, and the others should evaluate.

³⁰ But if something has been revealed to another person sitting there, **the first prophet should be silent.**



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D) Has the prophetic word been spoken from a place of love, or does it seem self-honoring or attention-seeking?



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1 Corinthians 14:1 (CSB)

Pursue **love** and desire spiritual gifts, and especially that you may **prophecy.**



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E) Did the person sharing the prophetic word share it in a way so that it can be tested?



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Our goal:
1) Openness
2) Accountability



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