Great Salvation

Who can testify to the great salvation?

Declared At First

- It was declared at first by the Lord ... (2:3)
- ... in these last days he has spoken to us by his
 Son ... (1:2)

Guaranteed Accuracy

- ... and it was attested to us by those who heard ... (2:3)
- "There is enough light for those who only desire to see, and enough obscurity for those who have a contrary disposition" Blaise Pascal



Deaths of the Disciples

- Philip
- Peter
- Bartholomew
- Thomas
- Simon the zealot
- John
- Stephen

- James the Great
- Matthew
- James the less
- Andrew
- **Jude**
- **Mark**
- **Paul**



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Confirmed by the Supernatural

- ... while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will. (2:4)
- "About this time there lived Jesus, a wise man [if indeed one ought to call him a man.] For he was one who wrought surprising feats and was a teacher of such people as accept the truth gladly. He won over many Jews and many of the Greeks. [He was the Christ.] When Pilate, upon hearing him accused by men of the highest standing amongst us, had condemnéd him to be crucified, those who had in the first place come to love him did not give up their affection for him. [On the third day he appeared to them restored to life, for the prophets of God had prophesied these and countless other marvellous things about him.] And the tribe of the Christians, so called after him, has still to this day not disappeared." Josephus

Spiritual Gifts & The Project

- ... distributed according to his will.
- Our God is in the heavens; he does all that he pleases. Ps 115:3
- Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, helping, administrating, and various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? 1 Co 12:27—30
- The person with the gift is not the significant one the one who gives the gift is