# VALID

Valid – it is solid, well-grounded basis, true, logical or officially acceptable

Church how do we accurately display the gospel so it's message is confirmed for those searching?

What makes it valid?

**Heb 2:1-4 NKJV Therefore we must give [a]the more earnest heed to the things we have heard, lest we drift away. 2 For if the word spoken through angels proved steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just [b]reward, 3 how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed to us by those who heard *Him,* 4 God also bearing witness both with signs and wonders, with various miracles, and gifts[c] of the Holy Spirit, according to His own will?**

I read this passage this week and thought does the church today still hold fast to the confirmed witness of the gospel?

Does the church today allow the Holy Spirit to do His perfect work in the body, to confirm the power and validity of the gospel to promote and expand His Kingdom>?

I guess you would answer that by, is it still being confirmed like it was in our text

Here we see the greatness of His salvation was confirmed 3 ways: It was spoken by the Lord, confirmed by the apostles, and validated by the ministry of the Holy Spirit with signs and wonders and miracles and gifts of the Spirit, according to God's own will

So this is how the apostolic gospel was confirmed or validated!

The Holy Spirit's supernatural manifestations were so widespread in the early church, the author of Hebrews could confidently appeal to them as "evidence that authenticates His gospel!"

How is the apostolic gospel being authenticated today?

Teaching, entertainment, leadership driven, programs, seeker friendly comfortability, outreaches, and podcasts. None of those things are wrong but

they're mentioned in our text and I'm not sure they represent the gospel like it was intended

Maybe that's why we see people drifting away like V. 1 said, like a boat without an anchor, everything new and moving causes us to drift from the original truth!

Hear me church, growth, revival, wisdom, and outpouring require intentional attention!

We drift when we hold the truth loosely and make church optional we then get pulled away from worldly desires

Stay anchored in Christ and don't neglect such a great salvation!

Why is the gospel so great? V. 3

Because it originated with God and not man!

Its cost was great, Jesus had to step down from Heaven and become human and suffer and die

He did it to rescue us from sins judgment and bridge the gap to reconcile us to God!

The Gospel Confirmed: V. 3,4

It was spoken by the Lord and declared by Jesus Himself – also by eyewitnesses who passed down reliable info who heard from the apostles

Finally, it was validated by God, or backed up and proven by God through signs, wonders, with various miracles as the Holy Spirit distributed gifts according to the will of God

Do you believe God is unchanging?

**Heb 13:8 Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever!**

So if that's how He confirmed the gospel then, that's how He desires to validate it today

Are you ready to see the Holy Spirit once again validate the gospel?

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**heard *Him,* [4] God also bearing witness both with signs and wonders, with various miracles, and gifts[c] of the Holy Spirit, according to His own will?**

Church, those same signs, wonders, and miracles are too be in His church as a testimony to the unbelieving!

It's time we see and testify to those same manifestations of the Spirit church!

Are you ready?

Church – get ready, get ready, get ready! Those signs, wonders, and miracles will follow the ministry of CFA because they validate the gospel!