

“The Apostolic Revelation” (ebook)

Important Point Summary

CHAPTER 11 – An Apostolic People

1. **“Foundational to the apostolic reformation is the idea that the whole church is to be an apostolic people**
We are not just talking about the restoration of apostles to the church, but a restoration of the apostolic nature of the church itself!” [231]
2. "This is the gist of the revelation. God is looking throughout the earth for a people upon whom He can pour out His Spirit in a particular way and for a particular purpose. He seeks a people who will allow Him to bring them into unity, enabling Him to give them a gift, the spirit of ‘understanding’. Then with one heart and one mind they will arise to do the work of God⁴³...But the key is understanding, supernaturally given as an anointing by the Lord to every person in the community, causing them to be of one heart and mind." [231-232]
3. "In many local churches there are few who have the spirit of understanding as an anointing which reveals the will of God for them as people." [232]
4. **“The principle is this. God gives understanding to people who want understanding** – to those who look to God and cry out for it.”⁴⁴ [233]
5. "In Pentecost there are many anointings, and of special importance is the anointing for community. This is **the anointing that brings understanding and the spirit of unity, and enables Christian community to be built**. There is also here an anointing for leaders to understand how to build community, which is vastly different from building the church as an institution.”⁴⁵ [234]
6. "The church today rarely sees this degree of the manifestation of God’s power. I believe power manifestations of such magnitude require the church to be functioning in the community anointing.”⁴⁶ [235]
7. "The whole purpose of being in submission to apostles is that apostolic authority might flow to many. **Every believer under apostolic leadership is meant to function in apostolic authority. Apostles commission believers to function in authority and power for Christ**. [236-237]
8. "If the believers are to be an apostolic people, and if the apostolic authority of Christ and the apostles is to rest on them, it will be because the Spirit of apostleship is in the believers...It means that **the believers will be of the same mind, the same spirit and the same purpose as the apostles**. To put it another way, it will mean that the believers will have the same heart and the same vision as the apostles, will be one in spirit with them, will have the same passion in the heart, and the same devotion to the cause of Christ. They will be one people with the apostles in serving Christ, and be willing to make the same sacrifices and pay the same price. They will be an apostolic people." [238]
9. "These are values and ethics which are foundational to the nature of the apostolic church, and they are characteristic of an apostolic people: [239-242]
 - One Heart, and One Mind – Unity in the Apostolic Church.
 - Humility, Teachableness, Submission.
 - Honouring Leaders.
 - Covenant Relationship (faithfulness not convenience).
 - Accountability, Transparency, Openness, Honesty.
 - Love.
 - Laying Down their Lives for the Brethren.
 - Not democracy, but community.
 - Rights, but no rights.

43 – Acts 4:32

44 – See Matthew 13:14-15

45 – Acts 2

46 – Acts 4:31

10. "**Grace is the power of God that flows to every believer who steps out in faith to obey Him**" [242]
11. "The word of God is very clear that the overcomer does God's will to the end, and it is these who have authority over the nations with Christ on the day of judgement. However, **God sees the end from beginning, so in these days prior to Christ's coming, such overcomers may walk now in the authority of Christ over nations**. In the coming days, the apostolic people of God will exercise great power in prayer over world events, and a great harvest of the nations will take place for the kingdom of God."⁴⁷ [242]
12. "Inheritance also is linked to overcoming, for "He who overcomes will inherit all this, and I will be his God and he will be my son"⁴⁸. The eternal inheritance described in Revelation 21 is not given to anyone – only to those who overcome by the power of God through faith, grace and obedience." [243]
13. "God has released into the world the apostolic and prophetic anointings of Christ. The call of God is for every believer to walk, with their leaders, in the grace of these anointings and be part of the victorious church of Jesus Christ in these final hours. The church of the last days, which sees the defeat of Babylon by the power of God, is addressed as '**saints and apostles and prophets**'⁴⁹. **This is the overcoming church..**" [243]

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47 – See Revelation 2:26-27

48 – Revelation 21:7

49 – See Revelation 18:20 [Depending which Greek manuscript was used for the translation – LDS]