

BY WHAT Luke 20:1-8 AUTHORITY

The Source of Authority



VAIN SOURCES – FROM MEN

- ❖ Traditions – *Matthew 15:1-9*
- ❖ Creeds – *2 Timothy 3:16-17*
- ❖ Spiritual Leaders – *Matthew 23:1-3*
- ❖ Conscience – *Acts 23:1*
- ❖ Wisdom of Men – *1 Corinthians 2:1-5*
- ❖ The Majority – *Matthew 7:13-14*
- ❖ Law of Moses – *Colossians 2:14-15*
- ❖ New Revelations – *Galatians 1:6-9*

THE SOURCE – FROM HEAVEN

Jesus Christ

- ❖ He has been given all authority –
Matthew 28:18
- ❖ God speaks through Him – *Hebrews 1:1-2*
- ❖ He has taken His throne as King –
Acts 2:34-36
- ❖ God speaks through His Son, but how does
His Son speak? – *Hebrews 2:3-4*

THE SOURCE – FROM HEAVEN

Jesus Christ, The Inspired Apostles

- ❖ Promised authority – Luke 22:28-30
- ❖ Promised the Helper (Holy Spirit) – John 14:16-18, 26; 16:7, 12-15
- ❖ The Holy Spirit “moved” them to speak and write God’s will – 2 Peter 1:19-21
- ❖ Their words are Christ’s exact words –
1 Thessalonians 2:13; 2 Thessalonians 2:15;
1 Corinthians 2:13, 16; 14:37

THE SOURCE – FROM HEAVEN

Jesus Christ, The Inspired Apostles, The Written Word of God

- ❖ God's word is completely revealed and sufficient – *2 Timothy 3:16-17; Jude 3*
- ❖ It is our only authority from heaven (*Matthew 16:19*):
 - ❖ Not of God if you don't submit – *1 John 4:6*
 - ❖ No adding/subtracting – *Revelation 22:18-19*
 - ❖ Must hold fast the pattern – *2 Timothy 1:13*
 - ❖ Will be judged by it in the end – *John 12:48*

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