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EPH 6:17 AND TAKE...THE SWORD OF THE
SPIRIT WHICH IS THE WORD OF GOD
A CHURCH OF GOD IN WOODSTOCK, ILLINOIS



**CHURCH OF GOD
AT WOODSTOCK**

A large crowd of people in ancient attire, possibly from the Bible, gathered in a courtyard or temple area. The text "ASTONISHED AT HIS DOCTRINE" is overlaid in large, bold, white letters with a blue outline. The background shows a large crowd of people, some sitting on steps and others standing, all looking towards the center. The scene is set in a sunlit, outdoor environment with stone architecture.

**ASTONISHED
AT HIS
DOCTRINE"**

ASTONISHED AT HIS DOCTRINE

Luke 2:46–47 And it came to pass, that after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions. And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers.

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Luke 4:14–15 And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee: and there went out a fame of him through all the region round about. And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified of all.

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Luke 4:21 And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears. Luke 4:22 And all bare him witness, and wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of his mouth. And they said, Is not this Joseph's son?

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Mark 1:21–22 And they went into Capernaum; and straightway on the sabbath day he entered into the synagogue, and taught. And they were astonished at his doctrine: for he taught them as one that had authority, and not as the scribes.

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Mark 1:23–26 And there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit; and he cried out, Saying, Let *us* alone; what have we to do with thee, thou Jesus of Nazareth? art thou come to destroy us? I know thee who thou art, the Holy One of God. And Jesus rebuked him, saying, **Hold thy peace, and come out of him.** And when the unclean spirit had torn him, and cried with a loud voice, he came out of him.

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Mark 1:27 And they were all amazed, insomuch that they questioned among themselves, saying, What thing is this? what new doctrine is this? for with authority commandeth he even the unclean spirits, and they do obey him.

Mark 1:28 And immediately his fame spread abroad throughout all the region round about Galilee.

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Matthew 7:28–29 And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these sayings, the people were astonished at his doctrine: For he taught them as *one* having authority, and not as the scribes.

ASTONISHED AT HIS DOCTRINE

Definition: ASTONISHED

- ▶ Strong's Greek Dictionary 1605. εκπλησσω *ekplesso* *ek-place'-so* from 1537 and 4141; **to strike with astonishment:—amaze, astonish.**
- ▶ “Astonished” – *ekplesso*, from *ek*, “out of,” *plesso*, “to strike,” lit., “to strike out,” signifies “**to be exceedingly struck in mind, to be astonished**” (*ek*, intensive). (Vine's Expository Dictionary of Biblical Words)

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Definition: DOCTRINE

- ▶ **Strong's Greek Dictionary 1322. διδαχη**
didache *did-akh-ay'* from 1321; **instruction**
(the act or the matter):—doctrine, hath been taught.
- ▶ **Strong's Greek Dictionary 1321. διδασκω**
didasko *did-as'-ko* a prolonged (causative) form of a primary verb dao **(to learn); to teach** (in the same broad application):—**teach.**

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Definition: SYNAGOGUE

- ▶ **Strong's Greek Dictionary 4864.** συναγωγή **sunagoge soon-ag-o-gay'** from (the reduplicated form of) 4863; **an assemblage of persons;** specially, a Jewish "synagogue" (the meeting or the place); **by analogy, a Christian church:—assembly, congregation, synagogue.**
- ▶ [James 2:2 For if there come unto your **assembly** a man with a gold ring, in goodly apparel, and there come in also a poor man in vile raiment;]
- ▶ **Strong's Greek Dictionary 4863.** συναγω **sunago soon-ag'-o** from 4862 and 71; to lead together, i.e. collect or convene; specially, to entertain (hospitably):—+ accompany, assemble (selves, together), bestow, come together, gather (selves together, up, together), lead into, resort, take in.
- ▶ **Strong's Greek Dictionary 4862.** συν **sun soon** a primary preposition denoting union; with or together (but much closer than 3326 or 3844), i.e. by association, companionship, process, resemblance, possession, instrumentality, addition, etc.:—beside, with. In composition it has similar applications, including completeness.
- ▶ **Strong's Greek Dictionary 71.** αγω **ago ag'-o** a primary verb; properly, to lead; by implication, to bring, drive, (reflexively) go, (specially) pass (time), or (figuratively) induce:—be, bring (forth), carry, (let) go, keep, lead away, be open.

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Definition: SCRIBES

- ▶ **SCRIBES**= Strong's Greek Dictionary 1122. γραμματευσ **grammateus** *gram-mat-yooce'* from 1121. a writer, i.e. (professionally) scribe or secretary:—scribe, town-clerk.
- ▶ **BILL, LETTER, WRITING** = Strong's Greek Dictionary 1121. γραμμα **gramma** *gram'-mah* from 1125; a writing, i.e. a letter, note, epistle, book, etc.; plural learning:—bill, learning, letter, scripture, writing, written.
- ▶ **WRITE, WRITTEN** = Strong's Greek Dictionary 1125. γραφω **grapho** o *graf'-o* a primary verb; to "grave", especially to write; figuratively, to describe:—describe, write(-ing, -ten).

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Mark 10:24–26 And the disciples were astonished at his words. But Jesus answereth again, and saith unto them, Children, how hard is it for them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God. And they were astonished out of measure, saying among themselves, Who then can be saved?

Mark 11:18 And the scribes and chief priests heard *it*, and sought how they might destroy him: for they feared him, because all the people was astonished at his doctrine.

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BY WHOSE AUTHORITY?

Matthew 21:23–24 And when he was come into the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came unto him as he was teaching, and said, By what authority doest thou these things? and who gave thee this authority? And Jesus answered and said unto them, **I also will ask you one thing, which if ye tell me, I in like wise will tell you by what authority I do these things.**

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BY WHOSE AUTHORITY?

Matthew 21:25–27 The baptism of John, whence was it? from heaven, or of men? **And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say unto us, Why did ye not then believe him? But if we shall say, Of men; we fear the people; for all hold John as a prophet. And they answered Jesus, and said, **We cannot tell.** And he said unto them, **Neither tell I you by what authority I do these things.****

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BY WHOSE AUTHORITY?

John 8:54 Jesus answered, **If I honour myself, my honour is nothing: it is my Father that honoureth me; of whom ye say, that he is your God:**

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Matthew 3:16–17 And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him: **And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.**

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DOCTRINAL AUTHORITY?

John 7:16–17 Jesus answered them, and said, **My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me.** If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or *whether* I speak of myself.

John 12:49 **For I have not spoken of myself; but the Father which sent me, he gave me a commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak.**

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HONORED BY THEIR HERO: MOSES

John 5:43–44 I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive. How can ye believe, which receive honour one of another, and seek not the honour that *cometh* from God only?

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HONORED BY THEIR HERO: MOSES

John 5:45–47 Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father: there is *one* that accuseth you, *even Moses*, in whom ye trust. For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me. But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?

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HONORED BY THEIR 'FATHER': ABRAHAM

John 8:56 Your father Abraham rejoiced to see my day: and he saw *it*, and was glad.

John 8:58 Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am.

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WHO HAS AUTHORITY?

Matthew 28:18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

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Ephesians 1:20–23 Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set *him* at his own right hand in the heavenly *places*, Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come: And hath put all *things* under his feet, and gave him *to be* the head over all *things* to the church, Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.

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Astonished At Its Difference

- ▶ **Matthew 5:17–20** Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil. For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled. Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach *them*, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed *the righteousness* of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven.

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- ▶ MATTHEW 5:17–20 ANALYSIS
- ▶ **A:** whoever does & teaches the 10 commandments will be called great in the kingdom of heaven.
- ▶ **B:** If anyone's righteousness exceeds that of the scribes & pharisees they will enter the kingdom of heaven
- ▶ **C:** The Scribes & Pharisees must **not** be doing and teaching them or they would be great in the kingdom. If they were teaching them but **not** doing them then they would be hypocrites. This places them outside the kingdom. [SEE REF → Matthew 23:15]

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▶ SABBATH OBSERVANCE DIFFERENCE

Matthew 12:1–3 At that time Jesus went on the sabbath day through the corn; and his disciples were an hungred, and began to pluck the ears of corn, and to eat. But when the Pharisees saw *it*, they said unto him, Behold, thy disciples do that which is not lawful to do upon the sabbath day. But he said unto them, **Have ye not read** what David did, when he was an hungred, and they that were with him;

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Matthew 12:4–6 How he entered into the house of God, and did eat the shewbread, which was not lawful for him to eat, neither for them which were with him, but only for the priests? **Or have ye not read in the law**, how that on the sabbath days the priests in the temple profane the sabbath, and are blameless? **But I say unto you**, That in this place is *one* greater than the temple.

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Matthew 12:7–8 But if ye had known what *this* meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice, ye would not have condemned the **guiltless**. For the Son of man is Lord even of the sabbath day.

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Matthew 12:9–11 And when he was departed thence, he went into their synagogue: And, behold, there was a man which had *his* hand withered. **And they asked him, saying, Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath days? that they might accuse him.** And he said unto them, What man shall there be among you, that shall have one sheep, and if it fall into a pit on the sabbath day, will he not lay hold on it, and lift *it* out?

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▶ SABBATH OBSERVANCE DIFFERENCE

Matthew 12:12–14 How much then is a man better than a sheep? Wherefore it is lawful to do well on the sabbath days. Then saith he to the man, Stretch forth thine hand. And he stretched *it* forth; and it was restored whole, like as the other. Then the Pharisees went out, and held a council against him, how they might destroy him.

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Astonished At Its Simplicity

- ▶ Simple illustrations. i.e. House Upon The Rock

Matthew 7:24–27 Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock. And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.

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- ▶ Simple illustrations. Common man understood.

Mark 12:35–37 And Jesus answered and said, while he taught in the temple, How say the scribes that Christ is the Son of David? For David himself said by the Holy Ghost, The LORD said to my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy footstool. David therefore himself calleth him Lord; and whence is he *then* his son? And the common people heard him gladly.

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- ▶ Simple illustrations. Common man understood.

2 Corinthians 11:3 But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.

Ephesians 5:17 Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord *is*.

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Astonished At Its Substance

- ▶ Matthew 5:3 Blessed *are* the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- ▶ Luke 18:10–12 Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men *are*, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican. I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess

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- ▶ **Matthew 6:1–4** Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye have no reward of your Father which is in heaven. Therefore when thou doest *thine* alms, do not sound a trumpet before thee, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. But when thou doest alms, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth: That thine alms may be in secret: and thy Father which seeth in secret himself shall reward thee openly.

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- ▶ Matthew 6:5–8 And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites *are*: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly. But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen *do*: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking. Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him.

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- ▶ Matthew 23:2–6 Saying, The scribes and the Pharisees sit in Moses' seat: All therefore whatsoever they bid you observe, *that* observe and do; **but do not ye after their works: for they say, and do not.** For they bind heavy burdens and grievous to be borne, and lay *them* on men's shoulders; but they *themselves* will not move them with one of their fingers. **But all their works they do for to be seen of men:** they make broad their phylacteries, and enlarge the borders of their garments, And love the uppermost rooms at feasts, and the chief seats in the synagogues,

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- ▶ **Exodus 21:24–25** Eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot, Burning for burning, wound for wound, stripe for stripe.
- ▶ **Leviticus 24:20** Breach for breach, eye for eye, tooth for tooth: as he hath caused a blemish in a man, so shall it be done to him *again*.
- ▶ **Deuteronomy 19:21** And thine eye shall not pity; *but life shall go* for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot.

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- ▶ Matthew 5:38–41 Ye have heard that it hath been said, An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth: But I say unto you, That ye resist not evil: but whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also. And if any man will sue thee at the law, and take away thy coat, let him have *thy* cloke also. And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain.

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- ▶ Things the Bible teaches that astonish.
 - **Ephesians 4:1–4** I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called, With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love; Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. *There is* one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;

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Astonishing Doctrine of Christ

▶ 2 John 9–11 Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son. If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into *your* house, neither bid him God speed: For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds.

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▶ 2 John 1–4 The elder unto the elect lady and her children, whom I love in the truth; and not I only, but also all they that have known the truth; For the truth's sake, which dwelleth in us, and shall be with us for ever. Grace be with you, mercy, *and* peace, from God the Father, and from **the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father, in truth and love**. I rejoiced greatly that I found of thy children walking in truth, as we have received a commandment from the Father.

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Astonishing Doctrine of Christ

- ▶ In the Gospel of John, the apostle had already written that God's word is truth (John 17:17).
- ▶ He also proclaimed that Jesus Himself (who is Deity & The Word— John 1:1) was The Truth (John 14:6).
- ▶ It is clear from his gospel that if we love Jesus, we will keep His commandments (John 14:15; 15:14).
- ▶ We must also receive the truth that Jesus is deity who came in the flesh (John 1:14; 1 John 4:2-3).
- ▶ **The doctrine of Christ is composed of**
(1) Jesus' commandments/doctrine which we are to obey
(2) AND Jesus' deity.

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Astonishing Doctrine of Christ

- ▶ 2 John 5–8 And now I beseech thee, lady, not as though I wrote a new **commandment** unto thee, but that which we had from the beginning, that we love one another. And this is love, that **we walk after his commandments**. This is **the commandment**, That, as ye have heard from the beginning, ye should **walk in it**. For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not **that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh**. This is a deceiver and an antichrist. Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward.

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▶ Hebrews 6:1–2 Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God, Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment.

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Astonishing Doctrine of Christ

1. He Is The Father's Spokesman For The Last Days
(Hebrews 1:1-2)
2. He Is The "Brightness Of His Glory, And The Express Image Of His Person" (Hebrews 1:3); Certainly, He Must Be as God (ref John 1:1)
3. He Is Better Than The Angels (Hebrews 1:4)
4. He Is Given The Throne And Sceptre Of The Kingdom
(Hebrews 1:9)

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- 5. By The Grace Of God He Tasted Death For Every Man (Hebrews 2:9)
- 6. He Took On The Seed Of Abraham (Hebrews 2:16)
- 7. He Was Made A High Priest To Make Reconciliation For The Sins Of The People (Hebrews 2:17)
- 8. He Is The Apostle And High Priest Of Our Profession (Hebrews 3:1)

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- 9. He Is A Son Over His Own House (Hebrews 3:6)
- 10. He Was Tempted In All Points Like Us Yet Without Sin (Hebrews 4:15)
- 11. He Was Glorified By The Father To Be Made Our High Priest (Hebrews 5:5)
- 12. He Because The Author Of Eternal Salvation (Hebrews 5:8-9)

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