

TONGUES

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Introduction

There is much discussion and controversy concerning the gifts of the Holy Spirit. In most occurrences however, when gifts of the Holy Spirit are mentioned the reality is it is generally the miraculous gifts of the Spirit that garner the attention of the Pentecostal and charismatic groups: Healing and Tongues. This study shall address [glossolalia - the speaking in tongues](#). Pentecostal and charismatic groups are the main proponents of glossolalia while other conservative Christian groups contend the cessation of all miraculous gifts of the Holy Spirit. Whenever strong contentions occur - and this is certainly an area where it does - we must look to the final court of arbitration to settle the issue - Holy Scripture.

Opponents of the miraculous gifts tend to use First Corinthians as the basis of their cessation.

1 Corinthians 13:8

Love never fails; but if *there are gifts of prophecy*, they will be done away; if *there are tongues*, they will cease; if *there is knowledge*, it will be done away.

I find it very difficult at best to see this Scripture as evidence of current cessation for knowledge is still with us. Rather this is saying there will come a time when this shall cease but there is no reason to believe they *have already* ceased. I listened and examined their parsing of the Greek text and do not conclude its soundness.

Proponents of glossolalia rely heavily upon the narrative passages in the book of Acts. Their argument usually begins with claims that there was a special filling or baptism of the Holy Spirit after conversion or regeneration and this subsequent baptism of the Spirit always manifest itself with the speaking in an unknown tongue.

Who's correct? If the truth be known, and it shall, both are incorrect. There is no justification for cessation from Scripture, though there is a strong case to be made in practicality. I have not heard or read about a genuine case of biblical tongues outside of those recorded in Scripture, nor have I witness or heard of any genuine gift of tongues from the Pentecostal and Charismatic groups. They are in fact guilty of [pseudoglossa ... a false and counterfeit manifestation of the gift of tongues](#).

Let's begin with a discussion of the term [unknown tongue](#). The Pentecostal-Charismatic groups hereafter referred to as "PC" interpret unknown in the phrase "unknown tongue" as an unknown *language*, a *new* language previously unknown to humanity. They claim that in Corinth, tongues were utterances of apparently unrelated syllables and do not display the characteristics of any known human language. That is a categorically false interpretation of Scripture and must be rejected on biblical grounds. There is simply no biblical or spiritual basis for such an erroneous position for a "new" language based in gibberish. The phrase "unknown tongue" as used in Scripture means a language not previously known by the person speaking the language ... a language new to the user,

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not a new human or spiritual language. Biblical *tongues* (plural) are known human languages not previously known by the person speaking the miraculously acquired human dialect.

For example, a German who speaks and writes fluent German and English may through the miraculous power of the Holy Spirit begin speaking fluently in *Farsi*, a Middle-Eastern Aramaic language or some other human language, ancient or current. To continue with this example, the German gifted with this language may not even know that it is Farsi unless told by another who speaks that language. This seems to be the clear biblical meaning of tongues as we shall see upon examination of Scripture.

EXPOSITORY: ACTS 2:1-12 (Pentecost)

When we examine the Scriptures in Acts 2, we will discover there were several miracles that occurred on the fulfillment of the Feast of Pentecost. The feast of Pentecost is described in the Old Covent Torah (Leviticus 23:15-21).

The Miracles on That Day of Pentecost

1. **The Noise or Voice from Heaven:** Like a violent rushing wind that filled the entire house;
2. **Theophony:** Manifestation of God that appeared like a tongue of fire distributed upon each of the Apostles;
3. **Filling of the Holy Spirit:** New Covenant Promise of God “in” us;
4. **Speaking in Tongues:** Speaking in a previously unknown human language;
5. **Selection of Tongues:** God selects specific dialects based upon the native languages of each person present with the Apostles.

1st Miracle: The first miracle was the dramatic and violent entry of God’s Holy Spirit. In verse two there was a *noise* from heaven that was like a mighty wind.

Acts 2:2

And suddenly there came **from heaven a noise** like a **violent rushing wind**, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting.

The **noise** from heaven **was like** a violent rushing wind that filled the house, but it was not a wind, but only sounded like a loud, rushing wind. It was God’s purpose and intent to have this event noticed and known by the people gathered in Jerusalem for the Feast of Pentecost. In verse 6, this noise from heaven is called a φωνή phone (fo-nay’) the Greek word mostly translated as **voice** in Scripture.

2nd Miracle: The second miracle was the Theophony (appearance of God), in this case God the Holy Spirit manifesting like a tongue of fire distributed upon the 12 Apostles. Matthias replaced Judas as the twelfth Apostle (Acts 1:23-26).

Acts 2:3

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And there **appeared to them tongues as of fire** distributing themselves, and they rested on each one of them.

3rd Miracle: The third miracle was the 12 Apostles being filled with the Holy Spirit.

4th Miracle: The fourth miracle was the Apostles speaking in the dialects or tongues of the other Jews present in the room in their native language.

Acts 2:4

And they were all **filled with the Holy Spirit** and began to speak with **other tongues**, as the Spirit was giving them utterance.

We can also see that there was orderliness in their speaking with the phrase “as the Spirit was giving them utterance.” This was not a simultaneous receipt of the gift of tongues, but a systematic dispersal of the gift as the Spirit gave them utterance. Scripture does not support that tongues is a singular language from heaven; that tongues is a heavenly language gifted to those receiving the Spirit; nor that all began speaking simultaneously in a haphazard and chaotic manner.

1 Corinthians 14:33

for God is not [a God] of confusion but of peace, as in all the churches of the saints.

5th Miracle: The fifth miracle is the tongues selected by God for the Apostles to speak. Tongues are human dialects or spoken languages ... and the tongues selected by God on this Day of Pentecost were the tongues or languages of the other Jewish colonies throughout the Roman Empire that were present in the room with the Apostles. These tongues (dialects) were languages never spoken by the Galilean Jews, the 12 Apostles who previously never knew or spoke these other dialects.

Acts 2:8-12

8. "And how is it that we each hear them in our **own language to which we were born**?
9. "**Parthians** and **Medes** and **Elamites**, and residents of **Mesopotamia**, **Judea** and **Cappadocia**, **Pontus** and **Asia**,
10. **Phrygia** and **Pamphylia**, **Egypt** and the districts of **Libya** around Cyrene, and visitors from **Rome**, both **Jews and proselytes**,
11. **Cretans and Arabs** — we hear them in our own tongues speaking of the mighty deeds of God."
12. And they all continued in amazement and great perplexity, saying to one another, "What does this mean?"

Verse 5 through 13 of Acts 2 establishes that devout Jews from all nations in the Roman Empire were present and each of the Apostles preached in the native language of their birth. God specifically chose to give the Apostles the native languages of those present on that day of Pentecost.

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Acts 2:5-6

- 5 Now there were Jews living in Jerusalem, devout men from every nation under heaven.
- 6 And when this **sound** <phone (fo-nay)> occurred, the crowd came together, and were bewildered because **each one of them was hearing them** speak in his own language.

“Each one heard the Apostles speak in their own native language.”

Acts 2:8

"And how is it that we each hear [them] in our own **language to which we were born?**

I must confess that when I first studied this section, I thought the Scripture meant that as each individual Apostle spoke, all present were simultaneously hearing the message in their native tongue. This turns out not to be the proper understanding of the miracles of Pentecost as verses 9-11 indicate.

Each Apostle was gifted with a specific tongue that was the birth language of those present. Each Apostle spoke in a native language of those present in the room. The gift was that of tongues and speaking; not that of an ears and hearing.

Based upon the passages of Acts 2, we find **no evidence** to support the existence of a **new language** previously unknown to humans to represent the miraculous gift of tongues. Those exercising such a false and demonic practice should immediately repent and seek God's forgiveness for embracing the doctrines and practices of demons.

The gift of tongues is God miraculously granting a *common language* previously unknown to the speaker as a means to proclaim the gospel to those of that native language and as the language the person should use in prayer to God. The miracles of Pentecost support the biblical understanding that this is the divine utterance of a human language not previously known by the speaker and is clearly a known human language. The upcoming expository on 1 Corinthians chapters 12 through 14 further supports such a position for tongues as well.

EXPOSITORY: 1 CORINTHIANS 12 - 14

Chapter 12: Purpose for Spiritual Gifts

Apparently, the early church was having some difficulty in understanding God's purpose for spiritual gifts and the proper conduct and use of their gifts. Just as some of the Apostles who walked with Jesus were bickering over who will be the greatest, the early church seems to have had a similar problem with who has the most or the greater gifts, and who appears not to have received any gifts at all.

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First Corinthians 12 is teaching on the varieties of spiritual gifts God gives to His born again spiritual members of the body of Christ – His New Covenant Church. God grants *different spiritual gifts* to *different people* to accomplish the *same purpose of God*. The emphasis God is making through the Apostle Paul is the **Unity** of the **One Spirit in One body ... One group of called out ones**.

1 Corinthians 12:5-7

5 And there are *varieties of ministries*, and the same **Lord**.

6 There are *varieties of effects*, but the **same God** who works all things in all persons.

7 But to each one is given the *manifestation of the Spirit for the common good*.

There are many and various ministries of our One Lord; Diverse Workings of the same God: διαίρεσις diairesis (dee-ah'-ee-res-is). The church does not work to serve God, but it is God working through His church to serve His purpose. Verse 7 is saying God provides manifestations of the Spirit to each and every person He sanctifies for the συμφέρω sumphero (soom-fer'-o), the Greek verb that means profit or benefit from the collective pooling of people, talents and gifts. Paul goes on to name some spiritual gifts God provides to achieve His purpose in edifying His New Covenant church.

1 Corinthians 12:10

and to another the effecting of *miracles*, and to another *prophecy*, and to another the *distinguishing of spirits*, to another [various] kinds of *tongues <glossa>*, and to another the *interpretation* of tongues.

The Greek noun translated as miracles is δύναμις dunamis (doo'-nam-is) which means power or powerful works. While it can mean miracles, in 95% of the 120 or so occurrences of dunamis it is translated as powerful or mighty works.

Tongues: γλῶσσα glossa (gloce-sah') is used to mean the literal organ in the body used for speech and the language or dialect used by a particular people distinct from that of other nations. Tongues in verse 10 is referring to the distinct human languages or dialects of people and something God will gift His people with to perform His purpose; and the Interpretation of tongues ἐρμηνεία hermeneia (her-may-ni'-ah) is the Greek noun that means to translate or explain. Once again when one uses a newly acquired language in a manner other than its intended purpose (evangelism and prayer) as we will see in other verses that is precisely what was happening, a translator must be present to interpret what is being said, otherwise it is an abuse of God's gift. If not directed it presumably is a variation of the Greek god Hermes, the spokesman or herald of the gods.

In context, everything is pointing to the gift of tongues as a human language not previously known or studied but miraculously gifted to select individuals by God to achieve His purpose and work. An interpreter is a translator that will transpose spoken

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words and/or texts from one language into another, a little like I am doing in this study when I define some Greek terms and their proper use.

Another key verse to put in proper perspective and the proper understanding of the manifestations of the Holy Spirit in each and every believer's life is brought to light in the next verse of Scripture.

1 Corinthians 12:11

But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually just as He wills.

God is doing the work and distributing gifts to each and every born again believer He places in His body. The entire focus of 1 Corinthians 12 is on the diversity and differences among the ministries and people within the church all working together with their God given gifts to achieve the common good of all. God gifts to each person of the body specific tasks and purposes as He deems necessary.

The New Covenant church is the *ekklhsia ekklesia* (ek-klay-see'-ah) of God, His *called out ones*, His *assembly* of believers. The church is the body of Christ and not to be understood as a place you go to but who and what you are in the eyes of God.

1 Corinthians 12:27

¶ Now **you are Christ's body**, and individually members of it.

God gifts His body not based upon prior background, position, wealth, talent, skills, or education but upon the predetermined current and future spiritual needs and purposes. The works, workers and their specific tasks, role and duties within the body of Christ is preordained by God.

Chapter 13: Love Is The Greatest Spiritual Gift

This chapter is often referred to as the love chapter, and appropriately so. It is not coincidental that this chapter finds its place smack dab in the middle of Paul's discussion, rebuke and correction on spiritual gifts and their godly use and purpose. Paul, nay God is putting in order spiritual priorities and in the number 1 position is God's spiritual gift of love.

1 Corinthians 13:8

¶ **Love never fails;** but if [there are gifts of] prophecy, they will be done away; if [there are] tongues, they will cease; if [there is] knowledge, it will be done away.

Rather than this verse used as a proof text for the cessation of tongues, which it is not, God is saying of all things we have on this planet, love is what we take with us into eternity and that love is eternal ... will never cease. Prophecy will be done away with when it becomes fulfilled; carnal knowledge is temporal for it only applies to this three dimensional universe and that will cease to be when flesh and blood no longer exist;

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and yes, the beloved gift of tongues the PC's falsely use to define themselves and their movement will indeed cease. Paul uses love as a segue into his discussion on the proper administration of spiritual gifts.

Chapter 14: The Tongues Fiasco

1 Corinthians 14:1

¶ **Pursue love**, yet desire earnestly spiritual [gifts,] but especially that you may **prophecy**.

Love is the greatest of all spiritual gifts and spiritual reality. Prophecy comes up very high for with this gift comes teaching and revealing the spiritual truth and realities of the Word of God. With the stage set, Paul talks about many gifts but I will only reveal the context on the proper use of tongues, even though there is not a person alive today this will benefit, for every instance of tongues being perpetuated today is pseudoglossa, a false and often demonic manifestation, what Scripture calls the doctrine of demons. More on this when we cover pseudoglossa later in the study.

Tongues are the languages used to speak to God. This seems to imply tongues is the language of prayer and should be used most frequently in this context. We should be in prayer more frequently than we find ourselves teaching others in a tongue gifted to us by God.

1 Corinthians 14:2

For one who speaks in a tongue does not speak to men but to God; for no one understands, but in [his] spirit he speaks mysteries.

Abuse number 2, speaking to each other in tongues. Abuse number one is the manufactured gibber pseudoglossa, false language. The word translated understand in the above verse is the Greek ἀκούω akouo (ak-oo'-o) which means hear or listen or as some translations use the work hearken or give audience. Of the 437 times akouo appears in Scripture, only eight times is it translated as anything other than hearing or listening, the above verse being a case in point. Hears or listens is the better translation, not understands.

1 Corinthians 14:4

One who speaks in a tongue edifies himself; but one who prophesies edifies the church.

Prayer is private communication with God and is self-edifying. This is not wrong to do for we all must pray to remain in close relationship with God. What God is saying is this gift of tongues is private by nature and not to be engaged in the manner we see today with pseudoglossa.

1 Corinthians 14:5

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Now I wish that you all spoke in tongues, but [even] more that you would **prophecy**; and greater is one who prophesies than one who speaks in tongues, unless he interprets, so that the church may receive edifying.

God is not condemning the use of tongues, just putting tongues in its proper place, as a lesser spiritual gift. Prophecy and teaching is the most desirable of the spiritual gifts for it draws the hearers into a deeper relationship with God through deeper understanding of His Word and His revealed truths. That is why Paul states that translators (Interpreters) are better than those who speak in tongues for more will benefit.

1 Corinthians 14:6

¶ But now, brethren, if I come to you speaking in tongues, what will I profit you unless I speak to you either by way of **revelation** or of **knowledge** or of **prophecy** or of **teaching**?

God is declaring through Paul that tongues could only be of benefit to the church if it is used to reveal truths of God that will help us to know God more deeply through the discussion of God's Word (prophecy) and the teaching of it. The key point is the most important gifts are the ones used to benefit others, not self. Paul continues with this theme of rebuking the public use of tongues where nobody understands what is being said. This practice by the early believers is to cease. Notice it is the **public use of tongues that cease**, not tongues itself.

1 Corinthians 14:9

So also you, unless you utter by the tongue **speech that is clear**, how will it be known what is spoken? For you will be speaking into the air.

God is showing the uselessness of tongues in the public arena for you might as well speak to yourself quietly or into the thin air for all the good your words are doing.

1 Corinthians 14:10-11

10 There are, perhaps, a great **many kinds of languages** in the world, and no kind is without meaning.

11 **If then I do not know the meaning of the language**, I will be to the one who speaks a barbarian, and the one who speaks will be a barbarian to me.

Paul is contrasting and comparing tongues with purposeful and meaningful languages that are clearly understood by all parties. It seems tongues have a certain spontaneity associated with it that the speaker may not be aware of what the Spirit is motivating him to speak in his gift of tongues so interpretation by the person speaking is impossible and useless. The Greek noun φωνή phone (fo-nay') is translated as language in verses 10 and 11. Remember, it is the same word translated as noise in Acts 2:2. Paul did not shift gears or move away from the subject of tongues for the *voice* or sound made in speaking tongues either the party speaking or a party hearing must be able to know the clear meaning of what is being said, otherwise it is barbaric according to Paul. All language has meaning and unless someone knows what is being said ... shut up!

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That's the gist of what God is saying. "Talk to me with your unknown language but be quiet in public" says the LORD.

1 Corinthians 14:13-16

13 Therefore let one who speaks in a tongue [pray that he may interpret](#).

14 For if I pray in a tongue, [my spirit prays, but my mind is unfruitful](#).

15 ¶ What is the outcome then? I will pray with the spirit and I will pray with the mind also; I will sing with the spirit and I will sing with the mind also.

16 Otherwise if you bless in the spirit only, how will the one who fills the place of the ungifted say the "Amen" at your giving of thanks, since he does not know what you are saying?

A tongue devoid of understanding is nothing more than useless babble. The mind is unfruitful because it does not know what is being said and there is not fruit to those who hear either. If the speaker and hearer both do not understand and know what is being said, then what is being said is useless and mindless babble. All these verses are saying tongues are to stop being spoken in public without interpretation and clarity of what is being stated. Once again the Lord is saying ... SHUT UP!

1 Corinthians 14:18-19

18 [I thank God, I speak in tongues more than you all](#);

19 however, in the church I desire to speak [five words with my mind](#) so that I may instruct others also, [rather than ten thousand words in a tongue](#).

Paul is saying one of two things here, and probably both. First he speaks in tongues more *frequently* than those of the Corinthian church and second Paul has been gifted with *numerous* tongues, more than all the Corinthian church, which he is thankful for. Going verse by verse through chapter 14 is indicative of just how serious the tongues problem has gotten in the Corinthian church. None of this discourse is in any positive concerning the use of tongues in public or at worship services. Paul's gift of tongues is to preach and teach to the Gentile nations that speak in different languages, and in his private devotions to God.

Tongues are a sign to unbelievers. I find it amazing that what we see is just the opposite. Tongues being a form of public worship services within the PC movement and conservative Christian groups and others using prophesy as a means to attract non-believers into their fellowship. Tsk, tsk, tsk. Are there no longer any church leaders able to read the bible with understanding or have ALL gone the way of apostasy?

1 Corinthians 14:22-23

22 So then [tongues are for a sign](#), not to those who believe but [to unbelievers](#); but **prophecy is for a sign**, not to unbelievers but **to those who believe**.

23 Therefore if the whole [church assembles together](#) and [all speak in tongues](#), and ungifted men or unbelievers enter, [will they not say that you are mad](#)?

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Tongues have limited and restricted use at worship services. A Translator or interpreter *must* be present and those who wish to use tongues in corporate prayer must do so in a group of two but not more than three and speak only one at a time. If all these conditions cannot be met, then the one who wishes to speak in tongues must remain silent and engage in quiet and private prayer.

1 Corinthians 14:26-28

26 ¶ **What is the outcome then, brethren?** When you assemble, each one has a psalm, has a teaching, has a revelation, has a tongue, has an interpretation. **Let all things be done for edification.**

27 If anyone speaks in a **tongue, it should be by two or at the most three, and each in turn,** and one **must interpret;**

28 but if there is **no interpreter, he must keep silent in the church;** and let him **speak to himself and to God.**

The Scriptures disclosed here are New Covenant Commandments from the LORD and must be obeyed by all who claim the name Jesus for themselves ... Christian. The true gift of tongues is a divinely received human language or languages and the gift of translation or interpretation of tongues is the divinely received ability to translate one or more of these God gifted languages. We will close this section with the last four verses of chapter 14.

1 Corinthians 14:37-40

37 If anyone thinks he is a prophet or spiritual, let him **recognize that the things which I write to you are the Lord's commandment.**

38 But if anyone does not recognize this, he is not recognized.

39 Therefore, my brethren, **desire earnestly to prophesy, and do not forbid to speak in tongues.**

40 But all things must be **done properly** and in an **orderly manner.**

The true gift of tongues is not something to be forbidden by the church but one that must be put in order as per the LORD's command. All things are for the edification of the church and all things must be done properly and in an orderly manner. Verse 40 will be our segue into an essential discussion of the pseudoglossa movement and why true Christians are to disassociate themselves from all people engaged in this ungodly practice.

PSEUDOGLOSSA FIASCO: COUNTERFEIT DOCTRINE OF DEMONS

Just as the true gift of tongues during the early first century church disintegrated into chaos that required Paul to spend about as much of his writing of Scripture in fixing the tongues fiasco as he did upon teaching Resurrection. We covered what tongues are so that alone should expose the pseudoglossa movement for what it is ... counterfeit! Scripture constantly warns New Covenant believers to beware of false doctrine, and false teachers.

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2 Peter 2:1

But **false prophets <pseudoprophetes>** also arose among the people, just as there will also be **false teachers <pseudodidaskalos>** among you, who will secretly introduce **destructive heresies**, even denying the Master who bought them, bringing swift destruction upon themselves.

These warnings need to be heeded for those who introduce teaching not anchored in Scripture will shipwreck the faith of many and bring swift destruction upon themselves. There are many false teachers are in the Pentecostal/Charismatic movement that will ridicule those who base their beliefs upon sound understanding of Scripture; and scoff at the mention of doctrine as something evil and contrary to God. Grace and soundness of Spirit and Word is the largest threat to false teachers for the Word of God exposes their wickedness.

Titus 1:9

holding fast the faithful word which is in accordance with the teaching, so that he will be able both to exhort in sound doctrine and to refute those who contradict.

Such is the state today of many of these pseudochristian teachers. A serious danger with the false gifts is destructive. Pseudoglossa has brought into its fold demonism based to a large degree on tongues. Many Satanist and voo-doo religions have the gibberish of unrelated syllabic tongues and what exists in the pseudo-tongues movement is the same satanic language of these satanic groups. Even prayers sound more like incantations than they do heartfelt communion with the living God.

1 Timothy 4:1

¶ But the Spirit explicitly says that in **later times** some will **fall away from the faith**, paying attention to **deceitful spirits** and **doctrines of demons**,

Unless your are gifted with the Scriptural gift of tongues which is verifiable, be on guard against these false and deceptive teachers and movements and preserve the faith delivered to you by the Apostles and Scripture.

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Exegesis: Tongues

1100 γλῶσσα glossa (gloce-sah')

from a prim. root of uncertain affinity; glwc- gloch-
a language (specially, one naturally unacquired):—tongue.
(*projecting point*); *the tongue, a language*:—

TDNT-1:719,123; n f

NAS-tongue (25), tongues (25).

AV-tongue 50; 50

1) the tongue, a member of the body, an organ of speech

2) a tongue

1a) the language or dialect used by a particular people distinct from that of other nations

2084 ἑτερόγλωσσος heteroglossos (het-er-og'-loce-sos)

from 2087 and 1100; TDNT-1:726,123; *adj of another tongue*:—

NAS-men of strange tongues (1), strange tongues (1).

AV-other tongue 1; 1

1) one who speaks a foreign language

1351 δῖλογος dilogos (dil'-og-os)

from 1364 and 3056; ; v equivocal, i.e. telling a different story:

given to repetition, double-tongued:—

NAS-double-tongued (1).

AV-doubletongued 1; 1

1) saying the same thing twice, repeating

2) double tongued, double in speech, saying one thing with one person another with another (with the intent to deceive)

Scriptures: Tongues

Mark 7:33

Jesus took him aside from the crowd, by himself, and put His fingers into his ears, and after spitting, He touched his **tongue <1100 glossa>** *with the saliva*;

Mark 7:35

And his ears were opened, and the impediment of his **tongue <1100 glossa>** was removed, and he *began* speaking plainly.

Mark 16:17

"These signs will accompany those who have believed: in My name they will cast out demons, they will speak with **new tongues <1100 glossa>**;

Luke 1:64

And at once his mouth was opened and his **tongue <1100 glossa>** *loosed*, and he *began* to speak in praise of God.

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Luke 16:24

"And he cried out and said, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus so that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool off my **tongue <1100 glossa>**, for I am in agony in this flame.'

Acts 2:3-4

- 3 And there appeared to them **tongues <1100 glossa>** as of fire distributing themselves, and they rested on each one of them.
- 4 And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other **tongues <1100 glossa >**, as the Spirit was giving them utterance.

Acts 2:11

Cretans and Arabs—we hear them in our *own* **tongues <1100 glossa>** speaking of the mighty deeds of God."

Acts 2:26

'THEREFORE MY HEART WAS GLAD AND MY **TONGUE <1100 glossa>** EXULTED; MOREOVER MY FLESH ALSO WILL LIVE IN HOPE;

Acts 10:46

For they were hearing them speaking with **tongues <1100 glossa>** and exalting God. Then Peter answered,

Acts 19:6

And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they *began* speaking with **tongues <1100 glossa>** and prophesying.

Romans 3:13

"THEIR THROAT IS AN OPEN GRAVE, WITH THEIR **TONGUES <1100 glossa>** THEY KEEP DECEIVING," "THE POISON OF ASPS IS UNDER THEIR LIPS";

Romans 14:11

For it is written, "AS I LIVE, SAYS THE LORD, EVERY KNEE SHALL BOW TO ME, AND EVERY **TONGUE <1100 glossa>** SHALL GIVE PRAISE TO GOD."

1 Corinthians 12:10

and to another the effecting of miracles, and to another prophecy, and to another the distinguishing of spirits, to another *various* kinds of **tongues <1100 glossa>**, and to another the interpretation of **tongues <1100 glossa>**.

1 Corinthians 12:28

And God has appointed in the church, first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, administrations, *various* **kinds of tongues <1100 glossa>**.

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1 Corinthians 12:30

All do not have gifts of healings, do they? All do not speak with **tongues <1100 glossa>**, do they? All do not interpret, do they?

1 Corinthians 13:1

If I speak with the **tongues <1100 glossa>** of men and of angels, but do not have love, I have become a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.

1 Corinthians 13:8

Love never fails; but if *there are gifts of prophecy*, they will be done away; if *there are tongues <1100 glossa>*, they will cease; if *there is knowledge*, it will be done away.

1 Corinthians 14:2

For one who speaks in a **tongue <1100 glossa>** does not speak to men but to God; for no one understands, but in *his* spirit he speaks mysteries.

1 Corinthians 14:4

One who speaks in a **tongue <1100 glossa>** edifies himself; but one who prophesies edifies the church.

1 Corinthians 14:5

Now I wish that you all spoke in **tongues <1100 glossa>**, but *even* more that you would prophesy; and greater is one who prophesies than one who speaks in **tongues <1100 glossa>**, unless he interprets, so that the church may receive edifying.

1 Corinthians 14:6

But now, brethren, if I come to you speaking in **tongues <1100 glossa>**, what will I profit you unless I speak to you either by way of revelation or of knowledge or of prophecy or of teaching?

1 Corinthians 14:9

So also you, unless you utter by the **tongue <1100 glossa>** speech that is clear, how will it be known what is spoken? For you will be speaking into the air.

1 Corinthians 14:13-14

13 Therefore let one who speaks in a **tongue <1100 glossa>** pray that he may interpret.

14 For if I pray in a **tongue <1100 glossa>**, my spirit prays, but my mind is unfruitful.

1 Corinthians 14:18-19, 21

18 I thank God, I speak in **tongues <1100 glossa>** more than you all;

19 however, in the church I desire to speak five words with my mind so that I may instruct others also, rather than ten thousand words in a **tongue <1100 glossa>**

21 In the Law it is written, "BY **MEN OF STRANGE TONGUES <2084 heteroglossos>** AND BY THE LIPS OF STRANGERS I WILL SPEAK TO THIS PEOPLE, AND EVEN SO THEY WILL NOT LISTEN TO ME," says the Lord.

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1 Corinthians 14:22-23

- 22 So then **tongues <1100 glossa>** are for a sign, not to those who believe but to unbelievers; but prophecy *is for a sign*, not to unbelievers but to those who believe.
23 Therefore if the whole church assembles together and all speak in **tongues <1100 glossa>**, and ungifted men or unbelievers enter, will they not say that you are mad?

1 Corinthians 14:26-27

- 26 What is *the outcome* then, brethren? When you assemble, each one has a psalm, has a teaching, has a revelation, has a **tongue <1100 glossa>**, has an interpretation. Let all things be done for edification.
27 If anyone speaks in a **tongue <1100 glossa>**, *it should be* by two or at the most three, and *each* in turn, and one must interpret;

1 Corinthians 14:39

Therefore, my brethren, desire earnestly to prophesy, and do not forbid to speak in **tongues <1100 glossa>**.

Philippians 2:11

and that every **tongue <1100 glossa>** will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

1 Timothy 3:8

Deacons likewise *must be* men of dignity, not **double-tongued <1351 dilogos>** or addicted to much wine or fond of sordid gain,

James 1:26

If anyone thinks himself to be religious, and yet does not bridle his **tongue <1100 glossa>** but deceives his *own* heart, this man's religion is worthless.

James 3:5

So also the **tongue <1100 glossa>** is a small part of the body, and *yet* it boasts of great things. See how great a forest is set aflame by such a small fire!

James 3:6

And the **tongue <1100 glossa>** is a fire, the *very* world of iniquity; the **tongue <1100 glossa>** is set among our members as that which defiles the entire body, and sets on fire the course of *our* life, and is set on fire by hell.

James 3:8

But no one can tame the **tongue <1100 glossa>**; *it is* a restless evil *and* full of deadly poison.

1 Peter 3:10

For, "THE ONE WHO DESIRES LIFE, TO LOVE AND SEE GOOD DAYS, MUST KEEP HIS **TONGUE <1100 glossa>** FROM EVIL AND HIS LIPS FROM SPEAKING

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1 John 3:18

Little children, let us not love with word or with **tongue <1100 glossa>**, but in deed and truth.

Revelation 5:9

And they *sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are You to take the book and to break its seals; for You were slain, and purchased for God with Your blood *men* from every tribe and **tongue <1100 glossa>** and people and nation.

Revelation 7:9

After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could count, from every nation and *all* tribes and peoples and **tongues <1100 glossa>** standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, and palm branches *were* in their hands;

Revelation 10:11

And they *said to me, "You must prophesy again concerning many peoples and nations and **tongues <1100 glossa>** and kings."

Revelation 11:9

Those from the peoples and tribes and **tongues <1100 glossa>** and nations *will* look at their dead bodies for three and a half days, and will not permit their dead bodies to be laid in a tomb.

Revelation 13:7

It was also given to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them, and authority over every tribe and people and **tongue <1100 glossa>** and nation was given to him.

Revelation 14:6

And I saw another angel flying in midheaven, having an eternal gospel to preach to those who live on the earth, and to every nation and tribe and **tongue <1100 glossa>** and people;

Revelation 16:10

Then the fifth *angel* poured out his bowl on the throne of the beast, and his kingdom became darkened; and they gnawed their **tongues <1100 glossa>** because of pain,

Revelation 17:15

And he *said to me, "The waters which you saw where the harlot sits, are peoples and multitudes and nations and **tongues <1100 glossa>**."

Exegesis: Conversations and Dialects

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3942 παροιμία paroimia (par-oy-mee'-ah)

from paroimov paroimos (*by the way*) from a compound of 3844 and perhaps a derivative of 3633; TDNT-5:854,790; n f a **byword, a parable, an allegory**:— NAS-figurative language (2), figure of speech (2), proverb (1).

AV-proverb 4, parable 1; 5

- 1) a saying out of the usual course or deviating from the usual manner of speaking
 - 1a) a current or trite saying, a proverb
- 2) any dark saying which shadows forth some didactic truth
 - 2a) esp. a symbolic or figurative saying
 - 2b) speech or discourse in which a thing is illustrated by the use of similes and comparisons
 - 2c) an allegory
 - 2c1) extended and elaborate metaphor

John 10:6 This **figure of speech <3942 paroimia>** Jesus spoke to them, but they did not understand what those things were which He had been saying to them.

John 16:25 "These things I have spoken to you in **figurative language <3942 paroimia>**; an hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in **figurative language <3942 paroimia>**, but will tell you plainly of the Father.

John 16:29 His disciples *said, "Lo, now You are speaking plainly and are not using a **figure of speech <3942 paroimia>**."

2 Peter 2:22 It has happened to them according to the true **proverb <3942 paroimia>**, "A DOG RETURNS TO ITS OWN VOMIT," and, "A sow, after washing, *returns* to wallowing in the mire."

1258 διάλεκτος dialektos (dee-al'-ek-tos)

from 1256; n f; *speech, language*:—

NAS-dialect (3), language (3).

AV-tongue 5, language 1; 6

- 1) conversation, speech, discourse, language
- 2) the tongue or language peculiar to any people

Acts 1:19 And it became known to all who were living in Jerusalem; so that in their own **language <1258 dialektos>** that field was called Hakeldama, that is, Field of Blood.)

Acts 2:6 And when this sound occurred, the crowd came together, and were bewildered because each one of them was hearing them speak in his own **language <1258 dialektos>**.

Acts 2:8 "And how is it that we each hear *them* in our own **language <1258 dialektos>** to which we were born?"

Acts 21:40 When he had given him permission, Paul, standing on the stairs, motioned to the people with his hand; and when there was a great hush, he spoke to them in the Hebrew **dialect <1258 dialektos>**, saying,

Acts 22:2 And when they heard that he was addressing them in the Hebrew **dialect <1258 dialektos>**, they became even more quiet; and he *said,

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Acts 26:14 "And when we had all fallen to the ground, I heard a voice saying to me in the Hebrew **dialect <1258 dialektos>**, 'Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me? It is hard for you to kick against the goads.'

3072 Λυκαονιστί Lukaonisti (loo-kah-on-is-tee')

from a derivative of **3071**; adv

NAS-Lycaonian language (1)

AV-speech of Lycaonia 1; 1

Acts 14:11

1) in the speech or tongue of the Lycaonia

Acts 14:11 When the crowds saw what Paul had done, they raised their voice, saying in the **Lycaonian language <3072 lukaonisti>**, "The gods have become like men and have come down to us."

5456 φωνή phone (fo-nay')

probably akin to **5316** through the idea of disclosure; or from **5346**; *a voice, sound*:—
TDNT-9:278,1287; n f

NAS-blasts (1), cry (1), language (1), languages (1), outcry (1), sound (15), sounds (4), statement (1), tone (1), utterance (3), utterances (1), voice (102), voices (7).

AV-voice 131, sound 8, be noised abroad + **1096** 1, noise 1; 141

1) a sound, a tone

1a) of inanimate things, as musical instruments

2) a voice

2a) of the sound of uttered words

3) speech

3a) of a language, tongue

Matthew 2:18 "A **VOICE <5456 phone>** WAS HEARD IN RAMAH, WEeping AND GREAT MOURNING, RACHEL WEeping FOR HER CHILDREN; AND SHE REFUSED TO BE COMFORTED, BECAUSE THEY WERE NO MORE."

Matthew 3:3 For this is the one referred to by Isaiah the prophet when he said, "THE **VOICE <5456 phone>** OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS, 'MAKE READY THE WAY OF THE LORD, MAKE HIS PATHS STRAIGHT!'"

Matthew 3:17 and behold, a **voice <5456 phone>** out of the heavens said, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well-pleased."

Matthew 12:19 "HE WILL NOT QUARREL, NOR CRY OUT; NOR WILL ANYONE HEAR HIS **VOICE <5456 phone>** IN THE STREETS."

Matthew 17:5 While he was still speaking, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and behold, a **voice <5456 phone>** out of the cloud said, "This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well-pleased; listen to Him!"

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Matthew 27:46 About the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud **voice <5456 phone>**, saying, "ELI, ELI, LAMA SABACHTHANI?" that is, "MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY HAVE YOU FORSAKEN ME?"

Matthew 27:50 And Jesus cried out again with a loud **voice <5456 phone>**, and yielded up His spirit.

Mark 1:3 THE **VOICE <5456 phone>** OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS, 'MAKE READY THE WAY OF THE LORD, MAKE HIS PATHS STRAIGHT.'

Mark 1:11 and a **voice <5456 phone>** came out of the heavens: "You are My beloved Son, in You I am well-pleased."

Mark 1:26 Throwing him into convulsions, the unclean spirit cried out with a loud **voice <5456 phone>** and came out of him.

Mark 5:7 and shouting with a loud **voice <5456 phone>**, he *said, "What business do we have with each other, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I implore You by God, do not torment me!"

Mark 9:7 Then a cloud formed, overshadowing them, and a **voice <5456 phone>** came out of the cloud, "This is My beloved Son, listen to Him!"

Mark 15:34 At the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud **voice <5456 phone>**, "ELOI, ELOI, LAMA SABACHTHANI?" which is translated, "MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY HAVE YOU FORSAKEN ME?"

Mark 15:37 And Jesus uttered a loud **cry <5456 phone>**, and breathed His last.

Luke 1:44 "For behold, when the **sound <5456 phone>** of your greeting reached my ears, the baby leaped in my womb for joy.

Luke 3:4 as it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet, "THE **VOICE <5456 phone>** OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS, 'MAKE READY THE WAY OF THE LORD, MAKE HIS PATHS STRAIGHT.

Luke 3:22 and the Holy Spirit descended upon Him in bodily form like a dove, and a **voice <5456 phone>** came out of heaven, "You are My beloved Son, in You I am well-pleased."

Luke 4:33 In the synagogue there was a man possessed by the spirit of an unclean demon, and he cried out with a loud **voice <5456 phone>**,

Luke 8:28 Seeing Jesus, he cried out and fell before Him, and said in a loud **voice <5456 phone>**, "What business do we have with each other, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg You, do not torment me."

Luke 9:35 Then a **voice <5456 phone>** came out of the cloud, saying, "This is My Son, My Chosen One; listen to Him!"

Luke 9:36 And when the **voice <5456 phone>** had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent, and reported to no one in those days any of the things which they had seen.

Luke 11:27 While Jesus was saying these things, one of the women in the crowd raised her **voice <5456 phone>** and said to Him, "Blessed is the womb that bore You and the breasts at which You nursed."

Luke 17:13 and they raised their **voices <5456 phone>**, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!"

Luke 17:15 Now one of them, when he saw that he had been healed, turned back, glorifying God with a loud **voice <5456 phone>**,

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- Luke 19:37 As soon as He was approaching, near the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud **voice <5456 phone>** for all the miracles which they had seen,
- Luke 23:23 But they were insistent, with loud **voices <5456 phone>** asking that He be crucified. And their **voices <5456 phone>** began to prevail.
- Luke 23:46 And Jesus, crying out with a loud **voice <5456 phone>**, said, "Father, INTO YOUR HANDS I COMMIT MY SPIRIT." Having said this, He breathed His last.
- John 1:23 He said, "I am A **VOICE <5456 phone>** OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS, 'MAKE STRAIGHT THE WAY OF THE LORD,' as Isaiah the prophet said."
- John 3:8 "The wind blows where it wishes and you hear the **sound <5456 phone>** of it, but do not know where it comes from and where it is going; so is everyone who is born of the Spirit."
- John 3:29 "He who has the bride is the bridegroom; but the friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly because of the bridegroom's **voice <5456 phone>**. So this joy of mine has been made full.
- John 5:25 "Truly, truly, I say to you, an hour is coming and now is, when the dead will hear the **voice <5456 phone>** of the Son of God, and those who hear will live.
- John 5:28 "Do not marvel at this; for an hour is coming, in which all who are in the tombs will hear His **voice <5456 phone>**,
- John 5:37 "And the Father who sent Me, He has testified of Me. You have neither heard His **voice <5456 phone>** at any time nor seen His form.
- John 10:3 "To him the doorkeeper opens, and the sheep hear his **voice <5456 phone>**, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.
- John 10:4 "When he puts forth all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his **voice <5456 phone>**.
- John 10:5 "A stranger they simply will not follow, but will flee from him, because they do not know the **voice <5456 phone>** of strangers."
- John 10:16 "I have other sheep, which are not of this fold; I must bring them also, and they will hear My **voice <5456 phone>**; and they will become one flock *with* one shepherd.
- John 10:27 "My sheep hear My **voice <5456 phone>**, and I know them, and they follow Me;
- John 11:43 When He had said these things, He cried out with a loud voice **<5456 phone>**, "Lazarus, come forth."
- John 12:28 "Father, glorify Your name." Then a **voice <5456 phone>** came out of heaven: "I have both glorified it, and will glorify it again."
- John 12:30 Jesus answered and said, "This **voice <5456 phone>** has not come for My sake, but for your sakes.
- John 18:37 Therefore Pilate said to Him, "So You are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say *correctly* that I am a king. For this I have been born, and for this I have come into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My **voice <5456 phone>**."
- Acts 2:6** And when this **sound <5456 phone>** occurred, the crowd came together, and were bewildered because each one of them was hearing them speak in his own language.

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Acts 2:14 But Peter, taking his stand with the eleven, raised his **voice <5456 phone>** and declared to them: "Men of Judea and all you who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you and give heed to my words.

Acts 4:24 And when they heard *this*, they lifted their **voices <5456 phone>** to God with one accord and said, "O Lord, it is You who MADE THE HEAVEN AND THE EARTH AND THE SEA, AND ALL THAT IS IN THEM,

Acts 7:31 "When Moses saw it, he marveled at the sight; and as he approached to look *more* closely, there came the **voice <5456 phone>** of the Lord:

Acts 7:57 But they cried out with a loud **voice <5456 phone>**, and covered their ears and rushed at him with one impulse.

Acts 7:60 Then falling on his knees, he cried out with a loud **voice <5456 phone>**, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them!" Having said this, he fell asleep.

Acts 8:7 For *in the case of* many who had unclean spirits, they were coming out of *them* shouting with a loud **voice <5456 phone>**; and many who had been paralyzed and lame were healed.

Acts 9:4 and he fell to the ground and heard a **voice <5456 phone>** saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?"

Acts 9:7 The men who traveled with him stood speechless, hearing the **voice <5456 phone>** but seeing no one.

Acts 10:13 A **voice <5456 phone>** came to him, "Get up, Peter, kill and eat!"

Acts 10:15 Again a **voice <5456 phone>** came to him a second time, "What God has cleansed, no *longer* consider unholy."

Acts 11:7 "I also heard a **voice <5456 phone>** saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.'

Acts 11:9 "But a **voice <5456 phone>** from heaven answered a second time, 'What God has cleansed, no longer consider unholy.'

Acts 12:14 When she recognized Peter's **voice <5456 phone>**, because of her joy she did not open the gate, but ran in and announced that Peter was standing in front of the gate.

Acts 12:22 The people kept crying out, "The **voice <5456 phone>** of a god and not of a man!"

Acts 13:27 "For those who live in Jerusalem, and their rulers, recognizing neither Him nor the **utterances <5456 phone>** of the prophets which are read every Sabbath, fulfilled *these* by condemning *Him*.

Acts 14:10 said with a loud **voice <5456 phone>**, "Stand upright on your feet." And he leaped up and *began* to walk.

Acts 14:11 When the crowds saw what Paul had done, they raised their **voice <5456 phone>**, saying in the Lycaonian language, "The gods have become like men and have come down to us."

Acts 16:28 But Paul cried out with a loud **voice <5456 phone>**, saying, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here!"

Acts 19:34 But when they recognized that he was a Jew, a *single outcry <5456 phone>* arose from them all as they shouted for about two hours, "Great is Artemis of the Ephesians!"

Acts 22:7 and I fell to the ground and heard a **voice <5456 phone>** saying to me, 'Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?'

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- Acts 22:9 "And those who were with me saw the light, to be sure, but did not understand the **voice <5456 phone>** of the One who was speaking to me.
- Acts 22:14 "And he said, 'The God of our fathers has appointed you to know His will and to see the Righteous One and to hear an **utterance <5456 phone>** from His mouth.
- Acts 22:22 They listened to him up to this statement, and *then* they raised their **voices <5456 phone>** and said, "Away with such a fellow from the earth, for he should not be allowed to live!"
- Acts 24:21 other than for this one **statement <5456 phone>** which I shouted out while standing among them, 'For the resurrection of the dead I am on trial before you today.'"
- Acts 26:14 "And when we had all fallen to the ground, I heard a **voice <5456 phone>** saying to me in the Hebrew dialect, 'Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me? It is hard for you to kick against the goads.'
- Acts 26:24 While *Paul* was saying this in his defense, Festus *said in a loud **voice <5456 phone>**, "Paul, you are out of your mind! *Your* great learning is driving you mad."
- 1 Corinthians 14:7 Yet *even* lifeless things, either flute or harp, in producing a **sound <5456 phone>**, if they do not produce a distinction in the tones, how will it be known what is played on the flute or on the harp?
- 1 Corinthians 14:8 For if the bugle produces an indistinct **sound <5456 phone>**, who will prepare himself for battle?
- 1 Corinthians 14:10 There are, perhaps, a great many kinds of **languages <5456 phone>** in the world, and no *kind* is without meaning.
- 1 Corinthians 14:11 If then I do not know the meaning of the **language <5456 phone>**, I will be to the one who speaks a barbarian, and the one who speaks will be a barbarian to me.
- Galatians 4:20 but I could wish to be present with you now and to change my **tone <5456 phone>**, for I am perplexed about you.
- 1 Thessalonians 4:16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the **voice <5456 phone>** of *the* archangel and with the trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first.
- Hebrews 3:7 Therefore, just as the Holy Spirit says, "TODAY IF YOU HEAR HIS **VOICE <5456 phone>**,
- Hebrews 3:15 while it is said, "TODAY IF YOU HEAR HIS **VOICE <5456 phone>**, DO NOT HARDEN YOUR HEARTS, AS WHEN THEY PROVOKED ME."
- Hebrews 4:7 He again fixes a certain day, "Today," saying through David after so long a time just as has been said before, "TODAY IF YOU HEAR HIS **VOICE <5456 phone>**, DO NOT HARDEN YOUR HEARTS."
- Hebrews 12:19 and to the blast of a trumpet and the **sound <5456 phone>** of words which *sound was such that* those who heard begged that no further word be spoken to them.
- Hebrews 12:26 And His **voice <5456 phone>** shook the earth then, but now He has promised, saying, "YET ONCE MORE I WILL SHAKE NOT ONLY THE EARTH, BUT ALSO THE HEAVEN."

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- 2 Peter 1:17 For when He received honor and glory from God the Father, such an **utterance <5456 phone>** as this was made to Him by the Majestic Glory, "This is My beloved Son with whom I am well-pleased"—
- 2 Peter 1:18 and we ourselves heard this **utterance <5456 phone>** made from heaven when we were with Him on the holy mountain.
- 2 Peter 2:16 but he received a rebuke for his own transgression, *for* a mute donkey, speaking with a **voice <5456 phone>** of a man, restrained the madness of the prophet.
- Revelation 1:10 I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud **voice <5456 phone>** like *the sound* of a trumpet,
- Revelation 1:12 Then I turned to see the **voice <5456 phone>** that was speaking with me. And having turned I saw seven golden lampstands;
- Revelation 1:15 His feet *were* like burnished bronze, when it has been made to glow in a furnace, and His **voice <5456 phone>** was like the **sound <5456 phone>** of many waters.
- Revelation 3:20 'Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My **voice <5456 phone>** and opens the door, I will come in to him and will dine with him, and he with Me.
- Revelation 4:1 After these things I looked, and behold, a door *standing* open in heaven, and the first **voice <5456 phone>** which I had heard, like *the sound* of a trumpet speaking with me, said, "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after these things."
- Revelation 4:5 Out from the throne come flashes of lightning and **sounds <5456 phone>** and peals of thunder. And *there were* seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God;
- Revelation 5:2 And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud **voice <5456 phone>**, "Who is worthy to open the book and to break its seals?"
- Revelation 5:11 Then I looked, and I heard the voice **<5456 phone>** of many angels around the throne and the living creatures and the elders; and the number of them was myriads of myriads, and thousands of thousands,
- Revelation 5:12 saying with a loud **voice <5456 phone>**, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing."
- Revelation 6:1 Then I saw when the Lamb broke one of the seven seals, and I heard one of the four living creatures saying as with a **voice <5456 phone>** of thunder, "Come."
- Revelation 6:6 And I heard *something* like a **voice <5456 phone>** in the center of the four living creatures saying, "A quart of wheat for a denarius, and three quarts of barley for a denarius; and do not damage the oil and the wine."
- Revelation 6:7 When the Lamb broke the fourth seal, I heard the **voice <5456 phone>** of the fourth living creature saying, "Come."
- Revelation 6:10 and they cried out with a loud **voice <5456 phone>**, saying, "How long, O Lord, holy and true, will You refrain from judging and avenging our blood on those who dwell on the earth?"

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Revelation 7:2 And I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, having the seal of the living God; and he cried out with a loud **voice <5456 phone>** to the four angels to whom it was granted to harm the earth and the sea,

Revelation 7:10 and they cry out with a loud **voice <5456 phone>**, saying, "Salvation to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb."

Revelation 8:5 Then the angel took the censer and filled it with the fire of the altar, and threw it to the earth; and there followed peals of thunder and **sounds <5456 phone>** and flashes of lightning and an earthquake.

Revelation 8:13 Then I looked, and I heard an eagle flying in midheaven, saying with a loud **voice <5456 phone>**, "Woe, woe, woe to those who dwell on the earth, because of the remaining **blasts <5456 phone>** of the trumpet of the three angels who are about to sound!"

Revelation 9:9 They had breastplates like breastplates of iron; and the **sound <5456 phone>** of their wings was like the **sound <5456 phone>** of chariots, of many horses rushing to battle.

Revelation 9:13 Then the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a **voice <5456 phone>** from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God,

Revelation 10:3 and he cried out with a loud **voice <5456 phone>**, as when a lion roars; and when he had cried out, the seven peals of thunder uttered their **voices <5456 phone>**.

Revelation 10:4 When the seven peals of thunder had spoken, I was about to write; and I heard a **voice <5456 phone>** from heaven saying, "Seal up the things which the seven peals of thunder have spoken and do not write them."

Revelation 10:7 but in the days of the **voice <5456 phone>** of the seventh angel, when he is about to sound, then the mystery of God is finished, as He preached to His servants the prophets.

Revelation 10:8 Then the **voice <5456 phone>** which I heard from heaven, *I heard* again speaking with me, and saying, "Go, take the book which is open in the hand of the angel who stands on the sea and on the land."

Revelation 11:12 And they heard a loud **voice <5456 phone>** from heaven saying to them, "Come up here." Then they went up into heaven in the cloud, and their enemies watched them.

Revelation 11:15 Then the seventh angel sounded; and there were loud **voices <5456 phone>** in heaven, saying, "The kingdom of the world has become *the kingdom* of our Lord and of His Christ; and He will reign forever and ever."

Revelation 11:19 And the temple of God which is in heaven was opened; and the ark of His covenant appeared in His temple, and there were flashes of lightning and **sounds <5456 phone>** and peals of thunder and an earthquake and a great hailstorm.

Revelation 12:10 Then I heard a loud **voice <5456 phone>** in heaven, saying, "Now the salvation, and the power, and the kingdom of our God and the authority of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren has been thrown down, he who accuses them before our God day and night.

Revelation 14:2 And I heard a **voice <5456 phone>** from heaven, like the **sound <5456 phone>** of many waters and like the **sound <5456 phone>** of loud thunder,

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and the **voice <5456 phone>** which I heard *was like the sound* of harpists playing on their harps.

Revelation 14:7 and he said with a loud **voice <5456 phone>**, "Fear God, and give Him glory, because the hour of His judgment has come; worship Him who made the heaven and the earth and sea and springs of waters."

Revelation 14:9 Then another angel, a third one, followed them, saying with a loud **voice <5456 phone>**, "If anyone worships the beast and his image, and receives a mark on his forehead or on his hand,

Revelation 14:13 And I heard a **voice <5456 phone>** from heaven, saying, "Write, 'Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on!'" "Yes," says the Spirit, "so that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow with them."

Revelation 14:15 And another angel came out of the temple, crying out with a loud **voice <5456 phone>** to Him who sat on the cloud, "Put in your sickle and reap, for the hour to reap has come, because the harvest of the earth is ripe."

Revelation 14:18 Then another angel, the one who has power over fire, came out from the altar; and he called with a loud **voice <5456 phone>** to him who had the sharp sickle, saying, "Put in your sharp sickle and gather the clusters from the vine of the earth, because her grapes are ripe."

Revelation 16:1 Then I heard a loud **voice <5456 phone>** from the temple, saying to the seven angels, "Go and pour out on the earth the seven bowls of the wrath of God."

Revelation 16:17 Then the seventh *angel* poured out his bowl upon the air, and a loud **voice <5456 phone>** came out of the temple from the throne, saying, "It is done."

Revelation 16:18 And there were flashes of lightning and **sounds <5456 phone>** and peals of thunder; and there was a great earthquake, such as there had not been since man came to be upon the earth, so great an earthquake *was it, and* so mighty.

Revelation 18:2 And he cried out with a mighty **voice <5456 phone>**, saying, "Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great! She has become a dwelling place of demons and a prison of every unclean spirit, and a prison of every unclean and hateful bird.

Revelation 18:4 I heard another **voice <5456 phone>** from heaven, saying, "Come out of her, my people, so that you will not participate in her sins and receive of her plagues;

Revelation 18:22 "And the **sound <5456 phone>** of harpists and musicians and flute-players and trumpeters will not be heard in you any longer; and no craftsman of any craft will be found in you any longer; and the **sound <5456 phone>** of a mill will not be heard in you any longer;

Revelation 18:23 and the light of a lamp will not shine in you any longer; and the **voice <5456 phone>** of the bridegroom and bride will not be heard in you any longer; for your merchants were the great men of the earth, because all the nations were deceived by your sorcery.

Revelation 19:1 After these things I heard something like a loud **voice <5456 phone>** of a great multitude in heaven, saying, "Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God;

Revelation 19:5 And a **voice <5456 phone>** came from the throne, saying, "Give praise to our God, all you His bond-servants, you who fear Him, the small and the great."

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Revelation 19:6 Then I heard *something* like the **voice <5456 phone>** of a great multitude and like the sound **<5456 phone>** of many waters and like the **sound <5456 phone>** of mighty peals of thunder, saying, "Hallelujah! For the Lord our God, the Almighty, reigns.

Revelation 19:17 Then I saw an angel standing in the sun, and he cried out with a loud **voice <5456 phone>**, saying to all the birds which fly in midheaven, "Come, assemble for the great supper of God,

Revelation 21:3 And I heard a loud **voice <5456 phone>** from the throne, saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is among men, and He will dwell among them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself will be among them,

988 βλασφημία blasphemia(blas-fay-me'-ah)

from 989; TDNT-1:621,107; n f *slander*:—

NAS-abusive language (1), blasphemies (4), blasphemous (2), blasphemy (6), railing (1),

slander (3), slanders (1).

AV-blasphemy 16, railing 2, evil speaking 1; 19

1) slander, detraction, speech injurious, to another's good name

2) impious and reproachful speech injurious to divine majesty

Matthew 12:31 "Therefore I say to you, any sin and **blasphemy <988 blasphemia>** shall be forgiven people, but **blasphemy <988 blasphemia>** against the Spirit shall not be forgiven.

Matthew 15:19 "For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, **slanders <988 blasphemia>**.

Matthew 26:65 Then the high priest tore his robes and said, "He has blasphemed! What further need do we have of witnesses? Behold, you have now heard the **blasphemy <988 blasphemia>**;

Mark 3:28 "Truly I say to you, all sins shall be forgiven the sons of men, and whatever **blasphemies <988 blasphemia>** they utter;

Mark 7:22 deeds of coveting *and* wickedness, *as well as* deceit, sensuality, envy, **slander <988 blasphemia>**, pride *and* foolishness.

Mark 14:64 "You have heard the **blasphemy <988 blasphemia>**; how does it seem to you?" And they all condemned Him to be deserving of death.

Luke 5:21 The scribes and the Pharisees began to reason, saying, "Who is this *man* who speaks **blasphemies <988 blasphemia>**? Who can forgive sins, but God alone?"

John 10:33 The Jews answered Him, "For a good work we do not stone You, but for **blasphemy <988 blasphemia>**; and because You, being a man, make Yourself out *to be* God."

Ephesians 4:31 Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and **slander <988 blasphemia>** be put away from you, along with all malice.

Colossians 3:8 But now you also, put them all aside: anger, wrath, malice, **slander <988 blasphemia>**, *and* abusive speech from your mouth.

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- 1 Timothy 6:4 he is conceited *and* understands nothing; but he has a morbid interest in controversial questions and disputes about words, out of which arise envy, strife, **abusive language <988 blasphemia>**, evil suspicions,
- Jude 1:9 But Michael the archangel, when he disputed with the devil and argued about the body of Moses, did not dare pronounce against him a **railing <988 blasphemia>** judgment, but said, "The Lord rebuke you!"
- Revelation 2:9 'I know your tribulation and your poverty (but you are rich), and the **blasphemy <988 blasphemia>** by those who say they are Jews and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan.
- Revelation 13:1 And the dragon stood on the sand of the seashore. Then I saw a beast coming up out of the sea, having ten horns and seven heads, and on his horns *were* ten diadems, and on his heads *were* **blasphemous <988 blasphemia>** names.
- Revelation 13:5 There was given to him a mouth speaking arrogant words and **blasphemies <988 blasphemia>**, and authority to act for forty-two months was given to him.
- Revelation 13:6 And he opened his mouth in **blasphemies <988 blasphemia>** against God, to blaspheme His name and His tabernacle, *that is*, those who dwell in heaven.
- Revelation 17:3 And he carried me away in the Spirit into a wilderness; and I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast, full of **blasphemous <988 blasphemia>** names, having seven heads and ten horns.

Exegesis: Interpretation of Tongues

2058 ἐρμηνεία hermeneia (her-may-ni'-ah)

from the same as [2059](#); TDNT-2:661,256; n f; *interpretation*:—

NAS-interpretation (2).

AV-interpretation 2; 2

1) interpretation

1a) of what has been spoken more or less obscurely by others

1 Corinthians 12:10 and to another the effecting of miracles, and to another prophecy, and to another the distinguishing of spirits, to another *various* kinds of tongues, and to another the **interpretation <2058 hermeneia>** of tongues.

1 Corinthians 14:26 What is *the outcome* then, brethren? When you assemble, each one has a psalm, has a teaching, has a revelation, has a tongue, has an **interpretation <2058 hermeneia>**. Let all things be done for edification.

1329 διερμηνεύω diermeneuo (dee-er-main-yoo'-o)

from [1223](#) and [2059](#); TDNT-2:661,256; v; *to explain thoroughly*, by impl. *to translate*:—

NAS-explained (1), interpret (3), interprets (1), translated (1).

AV-interpret 4, by interpretation 1, expound 1; 6

1) to unfold the meaning of what is said, explain, expound

2) to translate into one's native language

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1328 διερμηνευτής *diermeneutes* (dee-er-main-yoo-tace')

from [1329](#); TDNT-2:661,256; n m
NAS-interpreter (1).
AV-interpreter 1; 1
1) an interpreter

Luke 24:27 Then beginning with Moses and with all the prophets, He **explained <1329 diermeneuo>** to them the things concerning Himself in all the Scriptures.

Acts 9:36 Now in Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (which **translated <1329 diermeneuo>** in Greek is called Dorcas); this woman was abounding with deeds of kindness and charity which she continually did.

1 Corinthians 12:30 All do not have gifts of healings, do they? All do not speak with tongues, do they? All do not **interpret <1329 diermeneuo>**, do they?

1 Corinthians 14:5 Now I wish that you all spoke in tongues, but *even* more that you would prophesy; and greater is one who prophesies than one who speaks in tongues, unless he **interprets <1329 diermeneuo>**, so that the church may receive edifying.

1 Corinthians 14:13 Therefore let one who speaks in a tongue pray that he may **interpret <1329 diermeneuo>**.

1 Corinthians 14:27 If anyone speaks in a tongue, *it should be* by two or at the most three, and *each* in turn, and one must **interpret <1329 diermeneuo>**;

1 Corinthians 14:28 but if there is no **interpreter <1328 diermeneutes>**, he must keep silent in the church; and let him speak to himself and to God.