

Dear brother LCMS Pastor,

Can God still speak through extraordinary means?

This is how Dr. Francis Pieper addressed that question in his classic, Christian Dogmatics:

"The question has often been asked whether divine revelations pertaining to external events in Church or world might not be given to individual persons in our time. It does not contradict Scripture to admit the possibility and fact of such revelations."
(Christian Dogmatics, Volume I, 1950, pp. 210-211)

This has been far more than an academic issue for me for over a decade. It has led me to search the Scriptures as never before and brought about a crisis of faith that finally came down to this: "When He does, will I listen?"

This brief video of less than 5 minutes (link <http://youtu.be/qc3gsDLe68Y>) gives an overview of where God has led.

A full account of the story may be seen in the longer video, "Tell Them". <http://youtu.be/koSH2Wq94z0>

My prayer is that you will test this by the Holy Scriptures. I welcome the opportunity to discuss this further by email or phone.

Fraternally yours in our Lord Jesus Christ,

Pastor Chris Dodge (SL '79)