






Excursus: Did Jesus' apostles **ACT LIKE** there were '2 voices' in the OT?

Critically testing the arguments for a 2-voice OT (from the OTHER VOICE)

The main arguments offered (in the slides/videos I have examined) would be these:

-  1. We are told to 'rightly divide the word of truth' in 2 Timothy 2.15, on the basis of how the OT passages 'line up with Jesus' actions and plain speech."
-  2. The OT authors were not 'born again' and so were 'natural men' who cannot receive the things of God. There was a veil on the people of Israel so they couldn't discern in what they wrote down, between verses authored by Satan and those authored by Father.
-  3. We are told to 'test the spirits' to see if they / their prophecies are of the Father.
-  4. Jesus rejected many scriptures.
-  5. There are contradictions in the bible—especially between OT and NT. We should reject the part of a contradiction that does not align with Jesus.

Notice something here: EVEN IF a point or two of the details in this mass of counter-argument can be questioned or refuted, the rest of the data is virtually OVERWHELMING – there is no support for this belief, and—rather—there is a ton of STRONG data against it.

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2. We have seen that Jesus' teachings give us no reason whatsoever to suspect that there are '2 voices' mixed in the Hebrew Bible, with one of them being of Satan, fraudulently using the name 'YHWH'. Indeed, we saw the opposite.
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But is it possible that He somehow taught them secretly about this? And that the later NT writings teach this?

4. **...ive or even**
...ferences to entire sections or groups of the Hebrew bible – without a clear and immediate disclaimer – ...mislead the people into believing that Jesus was endorsing that entire section – without reservation.

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2. We would expect Jesus to issue SEVERAL STRONG and CLEAR statements that the Hebrew Bible was corrupted.

3. So, it is clear that Jesus' students and followers did not TEACH a 2-voice theory, but did they ACT like they believed it was corrupted?

4. For example, did they avoid using 'controversial' material from the Hebrew Bible, or did their usage of it indicate that they accepted it fully, as 100% 'God-breathed'? or even
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What Jesus taught and what the promised Holy Spirit taught them:

One only has to look at the sermons and dialogue in the **Book of Acts** to see how the ENTIRE scripture was according full divine, accurate, and trustworthy status (which is consistent with Peter's writings too).

Peter's speeches and epistle	Stephen's speech (Acts 7), Phillip, James	Paul's & Barnabas speeches (omitting others/epistles)
Retribution on Judas	Abraham in Haran	Creation in 6 days
Joel's prophecy of Spirit Outpouring	Promised the land to A after sinful threshold of Amorite reached	Sojourn in Egypt
David's prophecy of Resurrection	Prediction/promise of 400 years of slavery and (violent) judgment on Egypt	Violent exodus (Uplifted arm)
Til I make your enemies your footstool	Covenant of circumcision	40 years in the wilderness
Destruction of those ignoring prophet like Moses	Entire Joseph story	"Destroying" 7 nations
Abrahamic covenant of universal blessing	Egyptian infanticide	Judges until Samuel
Rejected cornerstone	Entire Moses pre-Bush history	Saul as King
Davidic dynastic covenant	Burning bush theophany	Davidic covenant
	Establishment of the YHWH name to Israel	Prophecy of Messiah's resurrection
Be holy	Promise of Land-takeover to Moses/Israel	Judgment on scoffers (Hab 1.5)
Grass withers/Word stands	Law delivered to Moses by angels	Messiah as servant for all humankind
CHosen cornerstone	Moses traveling with angel in wilderness	<p>There is not the slightest hesitancy or embarrassment on the part of the apostles of Jesus, nor of those in the next-wider ring of disciples (e.g. Stephen) about anything in Scripture (note especially those events castigated by the Other-Voice.)</p>
Rejected cornerstone	Tabernacle in the wilderness	
Destined to stumble	Wilderness idolatry	
Chosen race / Called to praise YHWH	Golden calf/Aaron event	
Messiah crushed, pierced, punished for us	Joshua and dispossession/conquest	
Jesus as sin-bearer sacrifice	Temple built by Solomon	
face of Lord against evil doers	Is 53: lamb to slaughter / death of Servant (Philip)	
If righteous barely saved, much worse for unrighteous	Rebuild dynasty of David --with outreach to Gentiles (James)	
God opposes the proud	God opposes the proud (Jas epistle)	

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So, if we are confident that Jesus was effective as a teacher of these disciples (both while on earth and then through the ministry of the Spirit and visionary events), then **we must conclude that Jesus himself did NOT believe, teach or act as if the Hebrew scriptures were corrupt**—a mixture of messages from Satan and from the Father.

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