

the course of it. I don't know. I think an arguemtn can be ~~z~~ made here. Peter ~~xxxxix~~ said, this is the kind of man we ~~w~~are going to have, I am going to ordain him. This must be one, this restricted it pretty ~~xx~~ much, and then they could pick him out. That is possible, but I think it is equally possible to interpret the Word as saying, ~~xhxxxxix~~ Peter says here is what the O.T. says, now that is God's Word. If you want to take a different intepretation of the Word than I have you have a right to speak up, but if you don't speak ~~up~~ up I will assume you are in agreement with me, and then Peter said, it seems to me that the man to take this would certainly ought to be one ~~wh~~ who had been a witness right straight through. So, ~~i~~ find one who has. So then somebody spoke up, yes, it is true Peter, these two men have been with him all this time, but now here is a man who has only been with Him the last six months, but in zeal and in power and in true ~~xxxxix~~ Christian qualities this man has far exceeded him. Don' you think that this is more important. What I mean is, ~~i~~ I don't think it is stated clearly ~~xxxxix~~ enough to show that Peter was arbitrarily given the qualifications. He may have, on the other hand, he may have simply been saying, what do you think about it. Doesn't this strike you as reasonable, ~~xxxx~~ because the qualification is at first sight such a reasonable qualific~~ation~~ation. It is not just a sort of thing that there would be arbitrary qualities.

Well, on the basis of this first thing, an arguemtn can be made for Peter as the divine head of the church. But it is mighty far from....(12) But an arguemtn from the opposite view, that ~~xxxx~~ it is just what the majority ~~to~~ votes, while you can infer something in that ~~xxxx~~ direction from this passage, you certainly cannot prove that from it.

(question) Paul called himself ~~z~~ an apostle very strongly. He called himself the apostle of the Gentiles. I don't ~~z~~ think he ever ~~xxx~~ said that he was one of the twelve. I would say that there is a good deal to be said in favor of the view that twelve is the number, and that ~~xxxxix~~ therefore if Paul is an apostle he must be one of the twelve. On the other ~~xxxxix~~ hand, I do not think that it is unreasonable to suggest the poss~~ib~~ibility that these twelve were the originally appointed apostles to the Jews, and that there was one particular~~y~~