

“Make Sure You Keep the Receipts!”

1 Corinthians 1:17-19

INTRO

The old way of doing business meant that if you wanted a refund on a returned item, you needed to have the receipt. That's not as true any more. Many businesses will allow you to return an item without a receipt.

But not the IRS! In early 2019 I was notified that my tax return was received after the deadline. Therefore, I was charged a penalty. Wrong! I did have a cancelled check proving that they had received my tax return long before the date they said they had received it.

I had always sent my return with first class postage. I never thought about having to track its delivery, let alone get a receipt.

I had shared the story with Jim Richards, our Church Treasurer. Jim prepared tax returns for people, and I asked him if something like this ever happened to him. I'll share the rest of this story in today's message.

The Apostle Paul tells the church at Corinth that he was sent to them. And he had the receipts to prove it!

1. God is still sending believers on assignments!
 - Acts 26:16-19, John 20:21
2. God's word is always authoritative!
 - Isaiah 29:13-16; Genesis 1:3, Proverbs 8:22; Proverbs 9:10; 2 Timothy 3:16
3. God is still saving believers!
 - Acts 2:47; Ephesians 2:8-10; Romans 10:8-10