

The Ascension Gift

What IS the five-fold ministry?

It's based upon the "ascension gifts" referred to in Ephesians 4:8,11 "Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men...And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, shepherds and teachers..."

The five-fold ministry is based upon the doma gifts, the ascension gifts. The word doma comes from the Greek word "gifts" used in Ephesians 4:8. These doma gifts did not come into the Church until Jesus ascended (hence the term "ascension gifts"). Before this time, there were priest, prophets, and teachers, but they were not doma gifts to the Church; they were gifts from the Old Covenant.