

A Common Thread

Read the following passages and look for key phrases that present the common thread (idea) between the passages.

Passage	Author/People Involved	Key Phrase/Common Thread
Luke 1:1–4		
Luke 24:46–49		
John 1:14		
Acts 1:1–3		
Acts 2:32		
1 Corinthians 15:7		
2 Peter 1:15–16		
1 John 1:1–5		
3 John 12		
Revelation 1:1–2		

1. What do these passages have in common?
2. Write a short summary statement that describes the experience of the authors of the New Testament.
3. How can this be combined with the truth from John 14:25–26 to make a powerful argument for the authority of the New Testament?

John 21:24–25 This is the disciple who testifies of these things, and wrote these things; and we know that his testimony is true. And there are also many other things that Jesus did, which if they were written one by one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that would be written. Amen.