

Just Another Book?

II Timothy 3:14-17, Psalm 19:1-14
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1. The Bible is the _____ Word of God.

II Timothy 3:16 ***All scripture is inspired by God and is profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness.*** (RSV)

2. Inspired means _____ - _____.

II Timothy 3:16 ***All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness.*** (NIV, cf. ESV, NASB etc.)

3. The Scriptures are inspired, the writers were _____.

II Peter 1:21 ***knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. 21For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.*** (ESV)

Jeremiah 23:16 ***Thus says the Lord of hosts: "Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you, filling you with vain hopes. They speak visions of their own minds, not from the mouth of the Lord.***

I Peter 1:10-12 ***Concerning this salvation, the prophets, who spoke of the grace that was to come to you, searched intently and with the greatest care, 11 trying to find out the time and circumstances to which the Spirit of Christ in them was pointing when he predicted the sufferings of the Messiah and the glories that would follow. 12 It was revealed to them that they were not serving themselves but you, when they spoke of the things that have now been told you by those who have preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven. Even angels long to look into these things.***

4. The Scriptures are the work of the _____.

John 16:12-15 ***12 "I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. 13 But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. 14 He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you. 15 All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will receive from me what he will make known to you."*** (NIV)

5. There are different _____ of inspiration.

Revelation 2:1 ***"To the angel of the church in Ephesus write: 'The words of him who holds the seven stars in his right hand, who walks among the seven golden lampstands.'*** (Cf. 2:8, 12, 18, 3:1, 7, 14)

Ezekiel 13:3 ***Thus says the Lord God, Woe to the foolish prophets who follow their own spirit, and have seen nothing!***

Luke 1:1-4 **Inasmuch as many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the things that have been accomplished among us, ² just as those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word have delivered them to us, ³ it seemed good to me also, having followed all things closely for some time past, to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus, ⁴ that you may have certainty concerning the things you have been taught.**

6. The Bible is God's _____ in human vocabulary.

Exodus 24:4 **And Moses wrote down all the words of the Lord. He rose early in the morning and built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel.**

Jeremiah 30:1-2 **The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: ² "Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Write in a book all the words that I have spoken to you.**

John 1:45 **Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph."**

7. We can know the Bible is God's Word because _____.

John 7:17 **If anyone's will is to do God's will, he will know whether the teaching is from God or whether I am speaking on my own authority.**

8. God's Word is a _____.

John 5:39-40 **You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me, ⁴⁰ yet you refuse to come to me that you may have life.**

Psalm 19:7-10 **⁷ The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes of the Lord are trustworthy, making wise the simple.**

⁸ The precepts of the Lord are right, giving joy to the heart.

The commands of the Lord are radiant, giving light to the eyes.

⁹ The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever.

The decrees of the Lord are firm, and all of them are righteous.

¹⁰ They are more precious than gold, than much pure gold; they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the honeycomb.