THE INSPIRATION OF THE BIBLE Part 2

Two Key Statements on Inspiration

Second Timothy 3:16

• Inspired (Theopneustos) = God breathed

Second Peter 1:16-21

- The prophetic word, more sure than personnel experience (19)
- The origin of prophecy was a work of the Holy Spirit (21)

Jesus Confirms The Scriptures

Matthew 4:1-11 (The Temptation)

- 4:4 quoted from Dt. 8:3
- 4:7 quoted from Dt. 6:16
- 4:10 based on Dt. 6:13-14

Jesus confirms major events and people in the Old Testament

- Mat. 10:15 Jesus confirms the account of Sodom and Gomorrah (Gen. 19)
- Mat. 12:42 The queen of Sheba (1Kings 10:1-13)
- Mat. 15:4 The 10 Commandments
- Mat. 22:29-40 The entire Old Testament
 - See also Luke 24:25-32 & 44

Jesus confirms the prophets

- Mat. 12:39-41 Jonah
- Mat. 15:8-9 Isaiah (29:13)
- Mat. 19:8 Moses
- Mat. 21:13 Isaiah (56:7) & Jeremiah (7:11)
- Mat. 24:15 Daniel
- Mat. 26:31 Zechariah (13:7)

Jesus Confirms The Apostles

- John 16:12-15
- John 17:16-19

The Apostles Confirm Scripture

The Old Testament

- Peter confirms Joel Acts 2:16-21
- Peter confirms David Acts 2:29-30 & 4:25
- Peter confirms Moses Acts 3:22

The New Testament

- Peter equates the apostles with the O.T. prophets 2Peter 3:1-2
- Peter confirms Paul 2Peter 3:15-16
- Paul confirms himself 1Cor. 14:37

Fulfilled Prophecy is Evidence of Inspiration

Compare Isaiah 44:28 (739–686B.C.) & Jeremiah 25:12 (627-561 B.C.) with Ezra 1:1-4 (538 B.C.)

Luke 4:14-21 with Isaiah 61:1-2a

 Not to mention all the multitude of other fulfilled prophecies concerning the first coming of Christ

The Inerrancy of Scripture

Definition: The Bible is without error in the original manuscripts. It is therefore free from affirming anything that is untrue or contrary to fact.

Biblical claims of inerrancy

- Psalm 12:6
- Psalm 18:30
- Psalm 19:7-8
- John 17:17

Inerrancy is based on the character of God

- Numbers 23:19
- Hebrews 6:18
- Titus 1:2-3

The Authority of Scripture

"Thus says the LORD"

• Isaiah 45:18-25

The Sufficiency of Scripture

Statements to the sufficiency of the Bible

- 2Peter 1:2-3
- 2Timothy 3:16-17
 - o Adequate (17) = complete