

Series: The Wonder of the Word of God

“The Inspiration of the Word of God” – 2 Timothy 3:16-17

Definition: *“The supernatural work of the Holy Spirit on the writers of Scripture so that, fully using their own personalities, they wrote precisely what God intended them to write which resulted in an inerrant document.”*

1. The Process of Inspiration (2Peter 1:21)

- A. Faulty Views
- B. Biblical Concept (2Peter 1:21, Acts 27:15, Mark 12:36, Acts 1:16, Acts 4:24-25, Matthew 1:22-23, Luke 1:70, Hebrews 1:5-13)

2. The Result of Inspiration

- A. Guiding principles/questions used to determine canon (list of books belonging in the Bible)
 - 1. Is it authoritative?
 - 2. Is it prophetic/apostolic?
 - 3. Is It authentic?
 - 4. Was it confirmed by Jesus/apostles?
 - 5. Is it dynamic?
 - 6. Was it received, collected, read, used by the people of God?
- B. Christ’s teaching about inspiration (Matthew 5:17-18, John 10:34-35)

3. The Significance of Inspiration

Since the Bible is God breathed:

- 1. It stands as our ultimate authority.
- 2. We must hear it as God’s speech to us.

Next Step: Read Psalm 119:9-16 every day this week.