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Words or Thoughts ?? inspired ?? - posted by proudpapa, on: 2012/8/3 15:25

What are your thoughts is it the Words of scripture or the thoughts of scripture that are inspired ??

Are the details important or not??

Re: Words or Thoughts ?? inspired ?? - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2012/8/3 18:41

Here is a part of a statement of faith from the underground church in China:

The Bible

We believe that all 66 books of the Bible are God-breathed. They were inspired by God through the Holy Spirit to the prophets and apostles who composed them. The Bible is complete and inerrant truth. It has the highest authority. Nobody is allowed to distort it in any way.

The Bible clearly states God's purpose of redemption of mankind. The Bible is the highest standard of our Christian life and ministry. We are against any denials of the Bible; we are against any teaching or theories that regard the Bible as out of date, or as erroneous; we are also against the practice of believing only in selected sections of the Scripture. We want to emphasize that the Scriptures must be interpreted in light of their historical context and within the overall context of scriptural teachings. While interpreting the Bible, one must seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the principle of interpreting the Scripture by the Scripture. The interpretation should be coherent and consistent, but not based on isolated verses. Biblical interpretation should take into account the orthodox faith that has been taken as the heritage of the church down through history. We are against interpretation of the Scripture merely according to one's own will, or by subjective spiritualization.

The word inerrancy means "freedom from error or untruths." Synonyms include "certainty, assuredness, objective certainty, infallibility."

Support for Inerrancy
from the Teachings of Christ

A study of what Jesus said about the Bible reveals not only His belief in its verbal, plenary inspiration, but that He also believed it was inerrant. In fact, the greatest testimony to the authenticity of the Bible as God's inspired and inerrant Word is the Lord Jesus. Why is His testimony so important? Because God authenticated and proved Him to be His own divine Son by the resurrection (cf. Acts 2:22-36; 4:8-12; 17:30-31; Rom. 1:4). Christ not only clearly confirmed the authority of the Old Testament, but He specifically promised the New Testament.

Note what Christ taught about the inspiration of the Old Testament:

(1) Its entirety; the whole of the Bible is inspired (Matt. 4:4; 5:17-18). In Matthew 4:4, Jesus responded to Satan's temptation by affirming verbal plenary inspiration when He said, man is to live by every word (plenary) that proceeds out of the mouth of God (inspiration). In Matthew 5:17-18, Christ promised that the entire Old Testament, the Law and the Prophets, would be fulfilled, not abolished. In fact, He declared that not even the smallest Hebrew letter, the yodh, which looks like an apostrophe ('), or stroke of a letter, a small distinguishing extension or protrusion of several Hebrews letters (cf. the extension on the letter R with its absence on the letter P), would pass away until all is fulfilled. Christ's point is that it is all inspired and true and will be fulfilled.

(2) Its historicity; He spoke of the Old Testament in terms of actual history. Adam and Eve were two human beings, created by God in the beginning, who lived and acted in certain ways (Matt. 19:3-5; Mark 10:6-8). He spoke of Jonah and his experience in the belly of the great fish as an historical event (Matt. 12:40). He also verified the events of the flood in Noah's day along with the ark (Matt. 24:38-39; Luke 17:26-27). He verified God's destruction of Sodom and the historicity of Lot and his wife (Matt. 10:15; Luke 17:28-29). These are only a few illustrations; many others exist.

(3) Its reliability; because it is God's word, the Scripture must be fulfilled (Matt. 26:54).

(4) Its sufficiency; it is sufficient to witness to the truth of God and His salvation (Luke 16:31).

(5) Its indestructibility; heaven and earth will not pass away until it is all fulfilled. Nothing can stop its fulfillment (Matt. 5:17-18).

(6) Its unity; the whole of the Bible speaks and witnesses to the person and work of Christ (Luke 24:27, 44).

(7) Its inerrancy; men are often in error, but the Bible is not; it is truth (Matt. 22:29; John 17:17).

(8) Its infallibility; the Bible cannot be broken, it always stands the test (John 10:35).

from: <http://bible.org/seriespage/bible-inerrant-word-god>

Re: - posted by proudpapa, on: 2012/8/3 20:17

I have several books on inerrancy and inspiration, I buy everyone that comes about, the very best ones I have are by eta linnemann, She really understands and articulates well how Faith trumps the rational mind ,I have another fairly good one by Charles C. Ryrie. What you should know about inerrancy

On the Back of the book by Ryrie it says: "Some say that inerrancy is either unimportant,irrelevant,or unnecessary to the faith.

But that simply is not so,says DR. Charles Ryrie Belief about the Bible assumes a place of primary importance in one's doctrinal system.It has to.For if even one part of the Bible is thought to be false,how can any of it be trusted?"

Ryrie makes a good point here and I agree with what he wrote here. but what I find seems like double talk to me. I find that Orthodox fundamental evangelical Christians say things like this from one side of their lips and then completely contradict their own statements by saying this only applied to the Original autographs which no longer exist and what we have today is a bunch of copies of copies full of various man made errors.

Men like Ryrie write a lot of excellent truth because they realize what the scripture speaks about its own nature but I feel they double talk whenever they try to bring that understanding into the context of a rational evidence. because then they always back track and contradict all they have said about inspiration and inerrancy, and apply that to a bunch of nonexistent originals.

It would be like trying to prove scientifically and rationally how Peter walked on water. Or how Sara past childbearing age had Issac or how the children of Israel stepped in the water of the Jordan river and it became dry land, Or how five thousand men, beside women and children were fed by five loaves, and the two fishes and after all were filled 12 baskets were filled.Or how Jesus turned the water into wine. The entire theme of the Bible could be summarized as believing What God says (having faith) beyond What is rational or possible within our natural realm.

inspiration - posted by proudpapa, on: 2012/8/3 21:57

What are your thoughts??

Does Inspiration apply only to the original autograph??

Does Inspiration have to do only with the giving of the Scriptures??

inspired or counterfeit - posted by proudpapa, on: 2012/8/3 22:10

what are your thoughts inspired or counterfeit john ch 7 v 53 - ch 8 v 11 Pericope Adulterae