The Bible Is God's Word



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The Bible is Inspired by God.

It is not just a human creation. It is breathed out by God Himself. This means the words of the Bible carry God's authority, truth and power. God used people, guided by His Spirit, to write His Word.

2 Timothy 3:16a "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God"

2 Peter 1:20-21 (NKJV)

"Knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation, for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit."

Three Things the Bible Does for Us:

1. The Bible Teaches Us About Salvation

The primary purpose of the Bible is to reveal God's plan for salvation. From Genesis to Revelation, the Bible points us to Jesus Christ.

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2. The Bible Helps Us Grow

The Bible is not just a book of information; it transforms our lives by teaching us God's truth and correcting our mistakes.

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It provides everything we need to grow in faith and live righteously. It helps us grow in faith. Romans 10:17 "So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God."

3. The Bible Equips Us for Ministry

The Bible doesn't only prepare us for personal growth, it also equips us to serve others. It empowers us to share the Gospel, disciple others and live out our faith in action.

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Discussion Questions:

- 1. What does it mean that the Bible is "inspired by God"?
- 2. How has the Bible helped you grow in your faith recently?
- 3. In what ways can you use Scripture to equip yourself for ministry?