

The Word of God

Scripture Reading:

II Timothy 3:16-17 “ALL SCRIPTURE *is* GIVEN BY INSPIRATION OF GOD, AND *is* PROFITABLE FOR DOCTRINE, FOR REPROOF, FOR CORRECTION, FOR INSTRUCTION IN RIGHTEOUSNESS: THAT THE MAN OF GOD MAY BE PERFECT, THOROUGHLY FURNISHED UNTO ALL GOOD WORKS.”

All scripture, our Bibles, in the original language is inspired. In this verse where the KJV reads “ALL SCRIPTURE IS GIVEN BY INSPIRATION”, older translations, before the King James was translated, reads “ALL SCRIPTURE *is* INSPIRED OF GOD AND IS PROFITABLE”. Well, what does that mean? When we go to Vine’s Expository Dictionary of New Testament Words we find only one definition for the word translated “INSPIRED” OR “INSPIRATION”. It means “God to breath”. Therefore all scripture came into existence from the breath of Jehovah God Almighty. It is God breathed, it is literally in all cases in the original language the words of God.

Our attitude toward God, our attitude toward Christianity and religion in general is determined in large part by how we regard the Word of God, our Bibles. If we think that the Bible is simply an interesting collect of ancient wisdom, appropriate for the day in which it was written then we will view the Bible as just another good book. We might read it some day, if we have time, but it doesn’t mean much to us.

However if we believe that the scriptures are infallible, that they are indeed the truth as Jesus tells us in **John 17:17**, verbally inspired (God breathed) their message guaranteed by Jehovah God and delivered by the Holy Spirit then our attitude toward the scriptures is much different. Then I know that what they say I must believe. I know that what they command I must obey. I know that what they prohibit I must avoid or I will lose my soul and spend eternity in a devil’s Hell.

But someone says, we don’t have the original writings of Moses, or Isaiah or Daniel, or John, Peter or Paul. This is true. The original manuscripts that these men and all of the others penned at the direction of Jehovah God have perished with time. But the words found in those manuscripts have not perished. Through the providence of God and the diligence of scribes and scholars and others God’s Words have been copied over and over again and preserved down through the ages. The King James translation of the Bible, the New King James, and the American Standard translation are translated from a collection of over 5,000 copies of those manuscripts. These were carefully compared to make sure that they were valid, that they agreed. They had been preserved and protected from destruction for hundreds of years. Yes, our Bible that we use today, if we are using a reliable translation, is indeed the Word of God. God caused it to be revealed to mankind. God caused it to be recorded for man’s use throughout the ages, made it profitable until the end of the world and necessary for our soul’s salvation. In his final instruction before his ascension back to the Father Jesus tells his disciples these words:

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Matthew 28:18-20 “AND JESUS CAME AND SPAKE UNTO THEM, SAYING, ALL POWER IS GIVEN UNTO ME IN HEAVEN AND IN EARTH. GO YE THEREFORE, AND TEACH ALL NATIONS, BAPTIZING THEM IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY GHOST: TEACHING THEM TO OBSERVE ALL THINGS WHATSOEVER I HAVE COMMANDED YOU: AND, LO, I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS, *even* UNTO THE END OF THE WORLD. AMEN.”

You ask, well how do you know that for sure? Because that isn't the only testimony we have. Jesus declared a little earlier to these same men:

Matthew 24:35 “HEAVEN AND EARTH SHALL PASS AWAY, BUT MY WORDS SHALL NOT PASS AWAY.”

Many years later the Apostle Peter, guided by the Holy Spirit gave us these words:

I Peter 1:24-25 “FOR ALL FLESH *is* AS GRASS, AND ALL THE GLORY OF MAN AS THE FLOWER OF GRASS. THE GRASS WITHERETH, AND THE FLOWER THEREOF FALLETH AWAY: BUT THE WORD OF THE LORD ENDURETH FOR EVER. AND THIS IS THE WORD WHICH BY THE GOSPEL IS PREACHED UNTO YOU.”

And it is the same gospel that you are hearing tonight. It will endure forever. It will stand through eternity. And you can be assured that you will hear it again! All of those under the sound of my voice, whatever your spiritual condition might be, whether you ever darken the door of a house of worship, whether you ever hear another sermon will hear it again. Where, you ask?

John 12:48 “HE THAT REJECTETH ME, AND RECEIVETH NOT MY WORDS, HATH ONE THAT JUDGETH HIM: THE WORD THAT I HAVE SPOKEN, THE SAME SHALL JUDGE HIM IN THE LAST DAY.”

How will that happen? What will take place? God doesn't leave us in the dark about that either. Hear the Words of the Son of God. On the Lord's Day on the Ilse of Patmos the Apostle John was in the spirit and Jesus our Lord came unto him and told him “WHAT THOU SEEST, WRITE IN A BOOK” (**Revelation 1:11**). John wrote that wonderful book that we call Revelation because it is part of the revelation of God and God's plan for mankind. What do you think was one of the things that he saw:

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Revelation 20:11-13 “AND I SAW A GREAT WHITE THRONE, AND HIM THAT SAT ON IT, FROM WHOSE FACE THE EARTH AND THE HEAVEN FLED AWAY; AND THERE WAS FOUND NO PLACE FOR THEM. AND I SAW THE DEAD, SMALL AND GREAT, STAND BEFORE GOD; AND THE BOOKS WERE OPENED: AND ANOTHER BOOK WAS OPENED, WHICH IS THE BOOK OF LIFE: AND THE DEAD WERE JUDGED OUT OF THOSE THINGS WHICH WERE WRITTEN IN THE BOOKS, ACCORDING TO THEIR WORKS. AND THE SEA GAVE UP THE DEAD WHICH WERE IN IT; AND DEATH AND HELL DELIVERED UP THE DEAD WHICH WERE IN THEM: AND THEY WERE JUDGED EVERY MAN ACCORDING TO THEIR WORKS.”

If you never hear another gospel sermon this side of eternity you will hear the inspired Word of God again. You will hear it at the seat of eternal judgment and your life will be measured against it to determine where your soul will be for eternity. Yes, my friends and brethren in Christ this book is inspired. It is the words of God. It is God breathed. It was revealed and given to mankind so that we can escape a devil's hell.

What is Inspiration?

What is inspiration, what are we talking about? It is a term, a name for that which caused the word of God to be recorded for our benefit; but what is it. Simply; it is that miraculous power that the Holy Spirit used to cause the speakers and writers of the Bible to speak and write without error of any kind; Gods words exactly as God wanted them to be spoken and written. That is why the apostle can write that:

“ALL SCRIPTURE *is* GIVEN BY INSPIRATION OF GOD, AND IS PROFITABLE FOR DOCTRINE, FOR REPROOF, FOR CORRECTION, FOR INSTRUCTION IN RIGHTEOUSNESS: THAT THE MAN OF GOD MAY BE PERFECT, THOROUGHLY FURNISHED UNTO ALL GOOD WORKS.” **II Timothy 3:16-17**

We find evidence of this fact in the words of the Apostle Peter when he wrote to us about prophecy. Writing about the work of the Old Testament prophets, Peter wrote:

“FOR THE PROPHECY CAME NOT IN OLD TIME BY THE WILL OF MAN: BUT HOLY MEN OF GOD SPAKE *as they were* MOVED BY THE HOLY GHOST.” **II Peter 1:21**

They wrote what the Holy Spirit moved them to write, caused them to write at God's direction. That's fine concerning the prophets, but what about the New Testament writers? First of all Jesus himself tells us:

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John 12:48-50 “HE THAT REJECTETH ME, AND RECEIVETH NOT MY WORDS, HATH ONE THAT JUDGETH HIM: THE WORD THAT I HAVE SPOKEN, THE SAME SHALL JUDGE HIM IN THE LAST DAY. FOR I HAVE NOT SPOKEN OF MYSELF; BUT THE FATHER WHICH SENT ME, HE GAVE ME A COMMANDMENT, WHAT I SHOULD SAY, AND WHAT I SHOULD SPEAK. AND I KNOW THAT HIS COMMANDMENT IS LIFE EVERLASTING: WHATSOEVER I SPEAK THEREFORE, EVEN AS THE FATHER SAID UNTO ME, SO I SPEAK.”

Jesus Christ, the Son of God spoke “EVEN AS THE FATHER SAID UNTO ME.” And his disciples? What about them?

John 14:26 “BUT THE COMFORTER, *which is* THE HOLY GHOST, WHOM THE FATHER WILL SEND IN MY NAME, HE SHALL TEACH YOU ALL THINGS, AND BRING ALL THINGS TO YOUR REMEMBRANCE, WHATSOEVER I HAVE SAID UNTO YOU.”

So that is what the word inspired means for us. Moses and the prophets of old spoke and wrote as the Holy Spirit “MOVED THEM”. Jesus spoke and the gospel writers recorded the words of Jehovah God, our Father in heaven. The writers of the New Testament were taught and directed to record all of the things that Jesus had taught them. Nothing in scripture is as a result of what the sacred writers learned by their own research, by their own observation, or by their own personal experience. They were instruments of God used to accomplish His purpose. They were given what they needed to know; they were told what to include and what to not include; they were guided and accurately recorded matters of general or public character, they were prevented by God from including any personal prejudices or bias whatsoever. They gave us the Word of God.

Verbal Revelation

Where and how did these writers get their words? If what we have is indeed the Word of God; and it is. Then not only is God’s revelation scripture and therefore inspired but the very words that they used to write were given by God. God used the personalities, the writing style, the background and experience of His writers but their record is the Words of God.

We find the very first record of that kind of communication between God and man in the very beginning of the Bible:

Genesis 2:16-17 “AND THE **LORD** GOD COMMANDED THE MAN, SAYING, OF EVERY TREE OF THE GARDEN THOU MAYEST FREELY EAT: BUT OF THE TREE OF THE KNOWLEDGE OF GOOD AND EVIL, THOU SHALT NOT EAT OF IT: FOR IN THE DAY THAT THOU EATEST THEREOF THOU SHALT SURELY DIE.”

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The very first law that man was given, that was recorded, that very first commandment came directly from Jehovah God to Adam. God would continue to speak directly to the patriarchs, the men who willingly served him throughout that age. We see the example of Noah:

Genesis 6:13-14 “AND GOD SAID UNTO NOAH, THE END OF ALL FLESH IS COME BEFORE ME; FOR THE EARTH IS FILLED WITH VIOLENCE THROUGH THEM; AND, BEHOLD, I WILL DESTROY THEM WITH THE EARTH. MAKE THEE AN ARK OF Gopher wood; rooms shalt thou make in the ark, and shalt pitch it within and without with pitch.”

And as a result Noah and his family, eight persons in all, were saved from the wrath of God as he destroyed this world and remade again.

Then we see Abraham:

Genesis 12:1 “NOW THE LORD HAD SAID UNTO ABRAM, GET THEE OUT OF THY COUNTRY, AND FROM THY KINDRED, AND FROM THY FATHER'S HOUSE, UNTO A LAND THAT I WILL SHEW THEE.”

And Abram, his wife Sari and nephew Lot journeyed to the land that God showed them, just as God had directed them to do.

Throughout the Patriarchal Age God spoke directly to the fathers of families, visited them in the form of men or sent his messengers, the angels. When God promised Abraham and Sarah a son He visited them in the form of a man:

Genesis 18:1-2 “AND THE LORD APPEARED UNTO HIM IN THE PLAINS OF MAMRE: AND HE SAT IN THE TENT DOOR IN THE HEAT OF THE DAY; AND HE LIFT UP HIS EYES AND LOOKED, AND, LO, THREE MEN STOOD BY HIM: AND WHEN HE SAW *them*, HE RAN TO MEET THEM FROM THE TENT DOOR, AND BOWED HIMSELF TOWARD THE GROUND,”

And in the course of time when God promised Abraham and Sarah the son that they would name Isaac, Sarah laughed because she was well past the years of bearing children.

“AND THE LORD SAID UNTO ABRAHAM, WHEREFORE DID SARAH LAUGH, SAYING, SHALL I OF A SURETY BEAR A CHILD, WHICH AM OLD?” **Genesis 18:13**

Then when the time came for God to free his people, the descendants of Jacob who was called Israel, from Egyptian bondage; God visited Moses. Moses is tending the flocks of his father-in-law in the wilderness of Sinai and sees this bush that is burning but does not burn up.

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Exodus 3:3-4 “AND MOSES SAID, I WILL NOW TURN ASIDE, AND SEE THIS GREAT SIGHT, WHY THE BUSH IS NOT BURNT. AND WHEN THE LORD SAW THAT HE TURNED ASIDE TO SEE, GOD CALLED UNTO HIM OUT OF THE MIDST OF THE BUSH, AND SAID, MOSES, MOSES. AND HE SAID, HERE **am** I.”

And God gave Moses the commandment to go to Egypt and lead his people out of bondage.

Then the time came for God to give his chosen people of Israel law that they might be able to govern themselves, that they might learn and know how to worship and serve Him. God called Moses up the mountain called Sinai:

Exodus 19:3 “AND MOSES WENT UP UNTO GOD, AND THE LORD CALLED UNTO HIM OUT OF THE MOUNTAIN, SAYING, THUS SHALT THOU SAY TO THE HOUSE OF JACOB, AND TELL THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL;”

There God gave Moses instruction to gather the children of Israel, the Israelite nation of some 2 to 3 million people before the mountain so that God could speak to them directly. He began with this commandment:

Exodus 20:1-3 “AND GOD SPAKE ALL THESE WORDS, SAYING, I AM THE LORD THY GOD, WHICH HAVE BROUGHT THEE OUT OF THE LAND OF EGYPT, OUT OF THE HOUSE OF BONDAGE. THOU SHALT HAVE NO OTHER GODS BEFORE ME.”

And God continued with what we call the ten commandments. But the people were afraid and could not stand to be in the presence of Jehovah. So God called Moses up on the mountain and continued giving him the law that we call the Law of Moses, the Old Testament law. Then as Moses prepared to return to the people God did this:

“AND HE GAVE UNTO MOSES, WHEN HE HAD MADE AN END OF COMMUNING WITH HIM UPON MOUNT SINAI, TWO TABLES OF TESTIMONY, TABLES OF STONE, WRITTEN WITH THE FINGER OF GOD.” **Exodus 31:18**

God did what? God took his own finger and wrote! He wrote the basic principles of the Law of Moses in stone that it might be preserved forever. When you study the writing of Moses you will find dozens of times the expressions “THE LORD SAID”, “THE LORD SPAKE”, or “THE WORD OF THE LORD”. What Moses wrote and has been preserved for our learning (**Romans 15:4**) is the Word of God. It was “God breathed”.

And so it was throughout the time of the nation of Israel. Shortly before his death King David testifies:

II Samuel 23:2 “THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD SPAKE BY ME, AND HIS WORD WAS IN MY TONGUE.”

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Then we have the prophets of God. They were God's messengers on earth, men that God chose to record His revelation. Men chosen to record the words that He wanted man to know. We begin with Isaiah:

Isaiah 1:1-2 "THE VISION OF ISAIAH THE SON OF AMOZ, WHICH HE SAW CONCERNING JUDAH AND JERUSALEM IN THE DAYS OF UZZIAH, JOTHAM, AHAZ, *and* HEZEKIAH, KINGS OF JUDAH. HEAR, O HEAVENS, AND GIVE EAR, O EARTH: FOR THE LORD HATH SPOKEN, I HAVE NOURISHED AND BROUGHT UP CHILDREN, AND THEY HAVE REBELLED AGAINST ME."

The "**LORD HATH SPOKEN**"! That wonderful book that tells us much about the coming of a Savior, that God will establish a kingdom. It tells us that the promise would be kept that He made to Eve in **Genesis 3:15** to destroy the power of Satan and redeem mankind from the sin that she brought into the world. And we will be talking about that tomorrow night.

Then we see the prophet, Jeremiah. Called the weeping prophet because he witnessed the downfall of Judah, the invasions of Babylon and the ultimate destruction of Jerusalem and the temple of God.

Jeremiah 1:2 "TO WHOM THE WORD OF THE LORD CAME IN THE DAYS OF JOSIAH THE SON OF AMON KING OF JUDAH, IN THE THIRTEENTH YEAR OF HIS REIGN."

Jeremiah in the book of prophecy that bears his name tells us almost one hundred times that what he is speaking and writing is the "WORD OF THE LORD", Ezekiel in his writing uses the phrase "THE WORD OF THE LORD" more than 50 times referring to the Jehovah, the Lord God in Heaven, the only source of absolute truth. The truth that will make us free! (**John 8:32**).

As we look at the other prophets we find:

"THE WORD OF THE LORD THAT CAME UNTO HOSEA, THE SON OF BEERI, IN THE DAYS OF UZZIAH, JOTHAM, AHAZ, *and* HEZEKIAH, KINGS OF JUDAH, AND IN THE DAYS OF JEROBOAM THE SON OF JOASH, KING OF ISRAEL." **Hosea 1:1**

Then we see that Joel, Obadiah, Micah, Zephaniah, Zechariah, and Malachi, all begin their prophecy with the solemn assurance that what they wrote is "THE WORD OF THE LORD". More than 2,000 times, two thousand times! In the scripture we are assured, we are guaranteed, that the words of the Old Testament are indeed the Words of God!

The New Testament

What about the New Testament, do we have that same guarantee? Oh, be assured that we do! In fact, we need only look at the beginning of the Gospel of John.

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John 1:1 "IN THE BEGINNING WAS THE WORD, AND THE WORD WAS WITH GOD, AND THE WORD WAS GOD." **v.14** "AND THE WORD WAS MADE FLESH, AND DWELT AMONG US, (AND WE BEHELD HIS GLORY, THE GLORY AS OF THE ONLY BEGOTTEN OF THE FATHER,) FULL OF GRACE AND TRUTH."

Yes, Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God is the Word of God in the flesh. He tells the hard hearted and hard headed Jews this fact over and over again. One example:

John 12:49-50 "FOR I HAVE NOT SPOKEN OF MYSELF; BUT THE FATHER WHICH SENT ME, HE GAVE ME A COMMANDMENT, WHAT I SHOULD SAY, AND WHAT I SHOULD SPEAK. AND I KNOW THAT HIS COMMANDMENT IS LIFE EVERLASTING: WHATSOEVER I SPEAK THEREFORE, EVEN AS THE FATHER SAID UNTO ME, SO I SPEAK."

Then when he is preparing to meet his executioners he prays to God his Father for His disciples, for the church and for himself, he says:

John 17:8 "FOR I HAVE GIVEN UNTO THEM THE WORDS WHICH THOU GAVEST ME; AND THEY HAVE RECEIVED THEM, AND HAVE KNOWN SURELY THAT I CAME OUT FROM THEE, AND THEY HAVE BELIEVED THAT THOU DIDST SEND ME."

And when he left this earth to return to the father He provided for his disciples to continue his work. First of all he gives them this commandment:

Matthew 28:19-20 "GO YE THEREFORE, AND TEACH ALL NATIONS, BAPTIZING THEM IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY GHOST: TEACHING THEM TO OBSERVE ALL THINGS WHATSOEVER I HAVE COMMANDED YOU: AND, LO, I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS, EVEN UNTO THE END OF THE WORLD. AMEN."

Well, how are they going to be able to do that? Some of them are just fishermen, they are probably not well educated, even in the terms of that day. Jesus has been teaching them for three years, how in the world are they ever going to be able to go out and teach "ALL THINGS WHATSOEVER I HAVE COMMANDED YOU?" These things determine whether a man loses his soul or not, these things determine whether we spend eternity in heaven with the Father or in a devil's hell. How could they remember?

"BUT THE COMFORTER, *which is* THE HOLY GHOST, WHOM THE FATHER WILL SEND IN MY NAME, HE SHALL TEACH YOU ALL THINGS, AND BRING ALL THINGS TO YOUR REMEMBRANCE, WHATSOEVER I HAVE SAID UNTO YOU." **John 14:26**

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John 16:12-13 "I HAVE YET MANY THINGS TO SAY UNTO YOU, BUT YE CANNOT BEAR THEM NOW. HOWBEIT WHEN HE, THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH, IS COME, HE WILL GUIDE YOU INTO ALL TRUTH: FOR HE SHALL NOT SPEAK OF HIMSELF; BUT WHATSOEVER HE SHALL HEAR, *that* SHALL HE SPEAK: AND HE WILL SHEW YOU THINGS TO COME."

And as is recorded in the Gospel of Mark:

"AND THE GOSPEL MUST FIRST BE PUBLISHED AMONG ALL NATIONS. BUT WHEN THEY SHALL LEAD YOU, AND DELIVER YOU UP, TAKE NO THOUGHT BEFOREHAND WHAT YE SHALL SPEAK, NEITHER DO YE PREMEDITATE: BUT WHATSOEVER SHALL BE GIVEN YOU IN THAT HOUR, THAT SPEAK YE: FOR IT IS NOT YE THAT SPEAK, BUT THE HOLY GHOST." **Mark 13:10-11**

That is why that when the Apostles stood in the porches of the temple of Jerusalem on that wonderful day called Pentecost

"AND THEY WERE ALL FILLED WITH THE HOLY GHOST, AND BEGAN TO SPEAK WITH OTHER TONGUES, AS THE SPIRIT GAVE THEM UTTERANCE." **Acts 2:4**

and Peter preached the first gospel sermon known to man declaring to them that this was a manifestation of the fulfillment of the prophecy of Joel made so many years ago.

"AND IT SHALL COME TO PASS IN THE LAST DAYS, SAITH GOD, I WILL POUR OUT OF MY SPIRIT UPON ALL FLESH: AND YOUR SONS AND YOUR DAUGHTERS SHALL PROPHECY, AND YOUR YOUNG MEN SHALL SEE VISIONS, AND YOUR OLD MEN SHALL DREAM DREAMS:" **Act 2:17**

They would speak exactly what God wanted spoken, because it was the Holy Spirit speaking through them. They could speak the languages of the people that were present in that tremendous gathering, because the Holy Spirit was speaking through them. They could write exactly what God wanted written, the way that God wanted it written because it was through the Holy Spirit that they wrote, it was through the Holy Spirit that Jehovah God provided the words that they should write.

Thus Apostle Paul can assure the Corinthian brethren and us:

I Corinthians 2:12-13 "NOW WE HAVE RECEIVED, NOT THE SPIRIT OF THE WORLD, BUT THE SPIRIT WHICH IS OF GOD; THAT WE MIGHT KNOW THE THINGS THAT ARE FREELY GIVEN TO US OF GOD. WHICH THINGS ALSO WE SPEAK, NOT IN THE WORDS WHICH MAN'S WISDOM TEACHETH, BUT WHICH THE HOLY GHOST TEACHETH; COMPARING SPIRITUAL THINGS WITH SPIRITUAL."

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And as Paul tells us and the brethren at Thessalonica:

“FOR THIS CAUSE ALSO THANK WE GOD WITHOUT CEASING, BECAUSE, WHEN YE RECEIVED THE WORD OF GOD WHICH YE HEARD OF US, YE RECEIVED IT NOT AS THE WORD OF MEN, BUT AS IT IS IN TRUTH, THE WORD OF GOD, WHICH EFFECTUALLY WORKETH ALSO IN YOU THAT BELIEVE.” **I Thessalonians 2:13**

The ASV calls it the “WORD OF THE MESSAGE, EVEN THE WORD OF GOD”, the message being the good news, the gospel of Christ. This is why that Paul could encourage them to:

“THEREFORE, BRETHREN, STAND FAST, AND HOLD THE TRADITIONS WHICH YE HAVE BEEN TAUGHT, WHETHER BY WORD, OR OUR EPISTLE.” **II Thessalonians 2:15**

He could encourage them in this was because whether Paul spoke, or wrote letters, his message was the Words of God.

One final example: when the Apostle John was given revelation of heaven and the home of the souls of the faithful he was told by the voice out of the throne of God:

Revelation 19:9 “AND HE SAITH UNTO ME, WRITE, BLESSED ARE THEY THAT ARE BIDDEN TO THE MARRIAGE SUPPER OF THE LAMB. AND HE SAITH UNTO ME, THESE ARE TRUE WORDS OF GOD.” (ASV)

And the Apostle John was also given this warning for all mankind for all time:

Revelation 22:18-19 “FOR I TESTIFY UNTO EVERY MAN THAT HEARETH THE WORDS OF THE PROPHECY OF THIS BOOK, IF ANY MAN SHALL ADD UNTO THESE THINGS, GOD SHALL ADD UNTO HIM THE PLAGUES THAT ARE WRITTEN IN THIS BOOK; AND IF ANY MAN SHALL TAKE AWAY FROM THE WORDS OF THE BOOK OF THIS PROPHECY, GOD SHALL TAKE AWAY HIS PART OUT OF THE BOOK OF LIFE, AND OUT OF THE HOLY CITY, AND *from* THE THINGS WHICH ARE WRITTEN IN THIS BOOK.”

The Bible is the Word of God, The Bible is the Word of God revealed for mankind, recorded by chosen men, directed and guided by the Holy Spirit through which has been “GIVEN UNTO US ALL THINGS THAT *pertain* UNTO LIFE AND GODLINESS” **II Peter 1:3**

What is your attitude toward the scriptures, are they something that you ignore because in order to obey them you would have to change your life? Are they something that you profess to follow but in a half-hearted, unconcerned way? Are you a child of God? There is a heaven to gain and a hell to shun. This Bible is the Lord God, Jehovah revealed, God breathed message that saves your soul!

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If you're not a child of his then the scripture says you must hear the gospel of Jesus Christ **Romans 10:17**, must believe that He is the Son of the Living God, **John 8:24**; must repent of your past sins, **Luke 13:3**, must confess his name before men, **Matthew 10:32** and be baptized to remove the stain of these sins as Peter told the multitude in **Act 2:38**. Or if you are a child of his but wayward or disobedient you need to come back, repent and pray for forgiveness as we're told in **James 5:16**. Whatever your need.....