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JUDE: CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

FUNDAMENTALS: INERRANCY AND INFALLIBILITY OF SCRIPTURE PART 3

JUDE 3



Jude 3, “Beloved, while I was very diligent to write to you concerning our common salvation, I found it necessary to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints.”

**inspiration [Greek, *qeovpneusto*" (*theopneustos*)
literally "God-breathed"]**

God the Holy Spirit so supernaturally directed the human writers of Scripture, that without waiving their human intelligence, vocabulary, individuality, literary style, personality, personal feelings, or any other human factor, His complete and coherent message to mankind was recorded with perfect accuracy in the original languages of Scripture, the very words bearing the authority of divine authorship. (John 10:35; Matthew 5:18; 2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:21; 1 Corinthians 2:14–16)

2 Tim. 3:15, “and that from childhood you have known the sacred writings which are able to give you the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

2 Tim. 3:16, “All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness;

2 Tim. 3:17, “that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.”

2 Pet. 1:20, “[because we] know this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation,

2 Pet. 1:21, “for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.”

Verbal, Plenary Inspiration

Verbal – the specific words are inspired, even to the extent of their grammar.

God did not inspire merely the thoughts or ideas expressed in the text, but the words themselves. Words are very important.

In interpreting or determining the meaning sometimes we have to determine why this word instead of that word. What is the significance of each word?

Verbal, Plenary Inspiration

Plenary – Every word was equally inspired.

Not merely so called “spiritual” words like regeneration, or redemption, or justification, but the conjunctions, prepositions, particles, articles. Each is significant and equally inspired.

Infallible – Every word is equally authoritative.

Inerrancy – no error existed in the original autographs of Scripture. Some have seen the necessity to insert the word “unlimited” to describe inerrancy, but this is redundant.

Some today are now using the term “limited inerrancy,” which is a subterfuge to get around the doctrine.

1 Tim. 5:18, “For the Scripture says, ‘You shall not muzzle the ox while he is threshing,’ (Deut. 25:4) and ‘The laborer is worthy of his wages’ (Luke 10:7).”

2 Pet. 3:16, “as also in all his letters, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which the untaught and unstable distort, as they do also the rest of the Scriptures, to their own destruction.”

Rom. 3:4, “May it never be! Rather, let God be found true, though every man be found a liar, as it is written, ‘That Thou mightest be justified in Thy words, and mightest prevail when Thou art judged.’ ”

John 17:17, “Sanctify them in the truth; Thy word is truth.”

2 Pet. 1:20, “But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is a matter of one’s own interpretation,

2 Pet. 1:21, “for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.”

Matt. 5:17, “Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish, but to fulfill.

Matt. 5:18, “For truly I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter [“jot”] or stroke [“tittle”] shall pass away from the Law, until all is accomplished.”

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John 10:30, “I and the Father are one.”

John 8:58, “Jesus said to them, ‘Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was born, I am.’ ”

Though every word is equally infallible, and authoritative, not every word is equally applicable to every believer.

If every word is breathed out by God, then it is the responsibility of the Pastor–Teacher to investigate and exegete every word, the entire counsel of God, though not every word need be necessarily taught. Time is a factor.

If every word is breathed out by God and then the Bible is absolutely and totally sufficient for salvation, spiritual growth, and problem solving.

2 Pet. 1:3, “seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence.

2 Pet. 1:4, “For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, in order that by them you might become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust.”

If every Word is from God to us, nothing should be more important than learning and applying His Word.