

Doctrine Moment #2: The Bible

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Statement of Faith:

WE BELIEVE God has revealed His eternal power and Godhood in creation; that He has revealed Himself supremely in Jesus Christ, the incarnate Word of God; and that He has revealed Himself and His righteous acts in the Holy Scriptures, the completed sixty-six books of the Old and New Testaments, which are God-breathed and true, having been delivered through human writers carried along by the Holy Spirit, and which are the only normative authority for faith and practice and the supreme standard by which all conduct, creeds, and teachings must be tested.

The Writing of the Bible

The Bible was written over a 1600 year period by approximately 40 men. The time of the writing was from 1500 BC to AD 100.

The Bible Claims to be God's Word

There are many books written about and by various religions. But the Bible is the only one which claims to be the actual words of God. Those who believe the Bible also believe that God inspired various people through the years to write down His actual words for mankind. The Bible says more than 3,000 times "thus saith the Lord." It claims that the words which follow are quotes from God.

The Prophecies of the Bible

There are more than 3,200 verses with fulfilled prophecy either within the Bible itself or since the Bible was written. But there are still more than 3,100 verses with unfulfilled prophecies.

2 Timothy 3:16

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness,

Napoleon Bonaparte

"The Bible is no mere book, but a Living Creature, with a power that conquers all that oppose it."

John Wesley

"This Book (the BIBLE) had to be written by one of three people: good men, bad men or G-D. It couldn't have been written by good men because they said it was inspired by the revelation of GoD. Good men don't lie and deceive. It couldn't have been written by bad men because bad men would not write something that would condemn themselves. It leaves only one conclusion. It was given by divine inspiration of GoD"

George Mueller

"The vigor of our spiritual life will be in exact proportion to the place held by the BIBLE in our life and thoughts."

The Bible is to me the new covenant - Ark of the Covenant - it carries the glorious testimony of Jesus Christ.

John 5:39-40

You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me, ⁴⁰ yet you refuse to come to me that you may have life.

Luke 24:27

And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.