B. They were written by chosen men who were carried along by the Holy Spirit

2 Peter 1:21

1. The Definition of "carried along." Inspiration is the process by which spirit-moved writers recorded God-breathed writings.

2. The Conclusions to Be Drawn

- a. Authors used their own vocabulary and style w/o error.
- b. Authors wrote exactly what the Holy Spirit impressed them to write

Remember: Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Phil. 2:1-13; 1Tim. 4:7-9; James 1:22-27. As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

How does God want my beliefs/actions to change? How can I accomplish this change? What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

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2Tim. 3:15-17 **CFBC** 3/22/15

Introduction:

1 Scripture has lost its NECESSITY.

Scripture has lost its AUTHORITY

Scripture has lost its SUFFICIENCY

Intro: The **Description** of Revelation A. General/Natural Revelation

1. Through Creation

2. Through Providence-

3. Through Preservation

a. The universe is sustained by God

Col. 1:16-17

He. 1:3

b. Christ Gives and sustains Life

Ac. 17:28

Jn. 5:26

c. Christ gives Eternal Life

Jn. 10:10,28

Col. 1:27

B. Special/Supernatural Revelation

1. Through Theophanies-

a. To Abraham-Ge. 17:1,22; 18:1

b. To Isaac- Gen. 26:2

c. To Jacob- Gen. 33:30

d. To Moses- Ex. 3:2-6;33:11

e. To Gideon-Ju. 6:11, 14-18

2. Through Dreams & Visions

a. To Jacob Ge 28:12-16

b. To Solomon 1Ki. 2:5-15

c. To Daniel- 2:18,28;7:1; 10:7-8

- 3. Through Direct Communication
- a. To Moses Nu. 12:8; Deut. 34:10
- b. Prophets Jer. 1:9; Ez. 3:4
- 4. Through Angels
- a. To Daniel 9:20-21; 10:10-21
- b. To shepherds Lk. 2:10,13
- 5. Signs & Miracles
- a. Flood Ge. 6-9
- b. Sodom & Gomorrah Ge. 19
- c. Plagues in Egypt Ex. 7-15
- 6. Christ- Direct Communication
- a. Jn 1:1,14,18
- b. He. 12:1-2
- 7. The Inspired Scriptures

2Tim. 3:16-17

I. The NECESSITY of the Scriptures. Why is the Bible So Important?

- A. Because The Scriptures are God's Final Word to Us.
 - 1. The Fact
 - 2. The Confirmation
 - 3. The Closed Canon
- B. They are God's Wisdom Leading to Salvation 2Tim. 3:15.
 - 1. Sacred Writing

2. They Have the Ability to Impart Wisdom

II. The AUTHORITY of the Scriptures: What makes the Scriptures have absolute authority in matters of faith and practice?

A. They are God-Breathed

2 Timothy 3:16

1. The Definition of Inspired

"What it affirms is that the Scriptures owe their origin to an activity of God the Holy Ghost and are the highest and truest sense His creation." BB Warfield

- 2. The Conclusions Drawn
- a. Inspiration is NOT illumination.
- b. Inspiration is more than revelation
- c. Inspirations object is the Scriptures not man.

3. A Theological Definition

"God's superintendence of the human authors so that, using their own individual personalities, they composed and recorded without error His revelation to man in the words of the original manuscripts." Ryrie