

The Importance of the Word

The Old Testament has 5 Categories

For believers, the Word of God should be taken as Divine Authority.

This would then adhere to absolute truth that does not change.

By the Spirit we're able to separate cultural relevance
from rules that are constant.

The Truths of God's Word is always supported elsewhere in Scripture.

Caution should be taken when interpreting prophecies or parables.

of Books

5 Files or Folders

_____ ~ **Books of Moses** ~ Pentateuch

Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy

_____ ~ **Books of History**

Joshua, Judges, Ruth,
1 & 2 Samuel, 1 & 2 Kings, 1 & 2 Chronicles
Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther

_____ ~ **Books of Poetry**

Job, Psalm, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Songs,

_____ ~ **Major Prophets**

Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel, Daniel

_____ ~ **Minor Prophets**

Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah
Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.
2 Timothy 3:16 & 17

For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.
Hebrews 4:12

*I tell you the truth, until heaven and earth disappear, **not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen**, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished.*
Matthew 5:18

Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation. For prophecy never had its origin in the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.
2 Peter 1:20-21

*We have not received the spirit of the world but **the Spirit who is from God, that we may understand what God has freely given us.** This is what we speak, not in words taught us by human wisdom but in words taught by the Spirit, expressing spiritual truths in spiritual words.*
1 Corinthians 2:12-13

*so is **my word that goes out from my mouth:** It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it. Isaiah 55:11*

Defining three key words:

Revelation -

Truth that couldn't of been known unless God told us.

Inspiration -

God's ability to carry a speaker or writer infallible.

Illumination -

Understanding God's truths already revealed.

Next Week: Genesis