

The Final Authority
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Inspiration does not overwhelm the personality of the human author

“mechanical dictation” is a term of the modernists that do not believe in verbal plenary inspiration

Dictation means to speak and God did speak by revelation

The negative connotation of “mechanical” is that those that believe Verbal Plenary is just “robotic” and nothing else

Inspiration does not mean uniformity in all details given in describing the same event

Ex – Matt, Mark, Luke, and John

-Plenary verbal inspiration assures us that God included all the necessary things He wanted us to know and everything that He excluded is unnecessary

II Tim 3:17 – “thoroughly furnished”

Inspiration has been completed

Col 1:25 Whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, to fulfil the word of God;

This means Revelation is completed

Revelation produces Inspiration (This is completed)

Illumination produces preservation (This is continuing)

The teaching ministry of the Holy Spirit

Revelation

Inspiration

Preservation

Illumination

The Canon of Scripture

The contents of our Bible

The OT canon was fixed at the time of Christ

Luke 24:44-45

44 And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me.

45 Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures,

Law, Prophets, and Psalms

There are 3 divisions in a Hebrew Bible

Torah, Nabhim, Kethubim

Torah –The law

24 books

Gen-Deut (5)

Nabhim –the prophets

Jos., Judg., Sam., Kings, Isa., Jer., Eze., and the “12” (minor prophets) (8)

Kethubim – the writings

Psalms, Pro., Job, Song of Solomon, Ruth, Lamentations, Eccl, Esther, Daniel, Ezra-Nehemiah, Chronicles (11)

39 vs 24

The number of books differ but the contents are the same

No Apocrypha

[1 Esdras](#)

[2 Esdras](#)

[Additions to Esther](#)

[1 Macabees](#)

[2 Macabees](#)

[Tobias](#)

[Judith](#)

[Wisdom](#)

[Sirach](#)

[Baruch](#)

[Epistle of Jeremiah](#)

[Susanna](#)

[Prayer of Azariah](#)

[Prayer of Manasseh](#)

[Bel and the Dragon](#)

[Laodiceans](#)

2nd Canonical verse of Christ

Luke 11:51 From the blood of Abel unto the blood of Zacharias, which perished between the altar and the temple: verily I say unto you, It shall be required of this generation.

Abel (Genesis) – Zacharias (II Chron 24:20)

20 And the Spirit of God came upon Zechariah the son of Jehoiada the priest, which stood above the people, and said unto them, Thus saith God, Why transgress ye the commandments of the LORD, that ye cannot prosper? because ye have forsaken the LORD, he hath also forsaken you.

We would say Gen –Rev

In Hebrew OT Gen-Chronicles