

“Undermining the Word of God”

2 Peter 1:20,21

Principle #1

If you can't trust the _____, you can't trust the _____. (2 Pet. 1:16; Titus 1:13,14; 1 Tim. 1:3,4; Jn. 17:17; 5:38,39; Psa. 119:160,89,140,128)

The false teaching about the Scriptures that crept into the church in the 1970s: _____ replaced _____.

The doctrine of _____ teaches that the Scriptures are without _____ in _____ aspects: theologically, historically, geographically, and scientifically.

_____ teaches that the Bible is trustworthy _____ in matters of _____ and _____, not in science, history, etc.

Principle #2

The Holy Spirit was involved in the _____ and the _____ of the Scriptures, therefore there cannot be any _____ because:

1. He is holy: _____;
2. He is omniscient: all-_____;
3. He is omnipresent: present at all _____ and in all _____;
4. He is omnipotent: all-_____.

(2 Pet. 1:17–21; 2 Tim. 3:16,17)

Discussion Questions

1. If you were alive in the '70s, describe an experience of yours during that time. If you weren't alive during that time, what is something you think of when you think of the '70s?
2. Pontius Pilate asked Jesus “What is truth?” How would you answer that question? Now read John 18:33–38. Why do you think Jesus didn't respond to Pilate's question?
3. Look over your sermon notes and share your thoughts about each of the points made in the sermon. Be sure to describe the difference between infallibility and inerrancy in respect to the Scriptures. Which view do you hold and why? How does a person's view of the Scriptures help shape that person's understanding of the Scriptures?
4. What do the following Scriptures teach about God's Word:
*Psalms 119:105 *2 Timothy 3:16,17
*Psalms 109:160 *Hebrews 4:12
*Proverbs 30:5,6 *James 1:22–24
*Matthew 4:4 *2 Pet. 1:20,21
*John 17:17 *Rev. 22:18,19
5. The Greek word translated as “truth” in the Bible is ἀλήθεια/alethea. It is made up of two words, literally meaning “without forgetfulness,” or “without concealment.” Just thought you'd like to know. :-)
6. What is your main “take home” lesson from this sermon?

