

"We Believe..." Great Truths of the Christian Faith

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"God's Self Revelation"

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Theme: God has revealed himself in various ways, indirectly through His creation (general revelation) as well as directly (special revelation) through dreams, visions, prophecy, and especially through the written Scriptures. Though written by many authors over a wide range of times, places, cultures and contexts, the Bible demonstrates a remarkable unity because it is God's self-revelation. From it we learn about God's nature and purpose and find our place in His story as the people of God.

Outline:

- 1. General Revelation
- 2. Special Revelation: Dreams, Visions, Prophecy

3. Special Revelation: The Scriptures a. The Inspiration of Scripture b. The Authority of Scripture c. The Diversity of Scripture 4. The Interpretation of Scripture (Hermeneutics) a. Exegesis b. Contextualization **Takeaway:** Since the Scriptures are God's primary means of revealing His nature, purpose and will to us, we should be diligent in our reading and study of His inspired and authoritative Word.

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