

Are God's Words His Words?

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> We have studied the minimum of these doctrines (Scripture and Revelation)

> We are going to study the Doctrine of God next

What Christians believe about Holy Scripture:

Recap

1. We believe God spoke
2. We presuppose God in our view of the Bible
3. We believe Scripture is historically reliable
4. We only accept scripture from the appropriate source: the Holy Spirit & the Apostles
(+Association by personal relationship)

What Christians believe about Holy Scripture:

Recap

5. We believe in dual authorship (God & man)
6. We are (extremely!!!) confident that we have the original *wording & teaching* of Holy Scripture
7. We believe scripture was/is necessary

What Christians believe about Holy Scripture:

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8. We believe scripture is self-authenticating

9. We believe scripture has certain attributes that equally point to its uniqueness in that it is not just “some holy book” but more than that

10. We believe scripture is authoritative

Sources for Further Reading

1. John Frame, *Doctrine of the Word of God*

2. B.B. Warfield, *Inspiration and Authority of the Bible*

3. J.I. Packer, *God Has Spoken*

4. (Advanced) Cornelius Van Til, *An Introduction to Systematic Theology*

What has the bible got to do with my identity?

Further Recap

1. Scripture provides the foundations for reality, knowledge, morality, truth, goodness, & beauty

2. Scripture provides the foundation for who I am and who I am *ought* to be

3. Scripture provides both the foundation of wisdom and wisdom itself for my daily life

Going back to Colossians 3:1-10

What We Still Study Next:

The Doctrine of God

We Will:

1. Find a definition of God
2. Explore His characteristics and attributes
3. Why He created the world
4. The problem of evil
5. and much more!