

Big idea: If God is true, and he is; and the Bible is God's Word to us, and it is; then the Word of God is true. It's the ever-present gift given us by God.

I. The Bible is EXTRAORDINARY

- A. The Bible is a LIBRARY of books – 66 to be exact**

- B. The Bible was written by 40 different human authors over a period of some 1500+ years**

- C. The Bible was written in 3 different LANGUAGES on 3 different CONTINENTS**

- D. The Bible is DIFFERENT than any other book**

II. The Bible is God's revelation to man, and is fully inspired

- A. The doctrine of REVELATION – Deuteronomy 29:29**
 - 1. GENERAL revelation – Psalm 19 - It's general in its CONTENT and in its AUDIENCE**
 - It comes to us through CREATION and NATURE
 - It tells a STORY

 - It's CONSTANT

 - It's INAUDIBLE

 - It's UNIVERSAL

- It's DRAMATIC

- It comes to us through CONSCIENCE

2. SPECIAL revelation – WRITTEN Word & (LIVING Word)

- What the Bible CLAIMS for itself

- What JESUS said about the Word

- He appealed to it as an INFALLIBLE authority
- He saw his life as a FULFILLMENT of Scripture
- He quoted it from the CROSS

B. The doctrine of INSPIRATION – 2 Timothy 3:15-17

1. The FACT of inspiration

2. The PROCESS of inspiration

3. The EXTENT of inspiration

- The WHOLE Bible

- Every WORD of the Bible

III. What we take away... God's Word is true, dependable and sufficient. Read it, study it, memorize it, meditate on it and be changed by it.