

1. The Bible is God's Word

Series: "Foundations of the Faith"

Part 1 Of 20

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Matt 7:28-29

28 And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these sayings, the people were astonished at his doctrine:

29 For he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. **KJV**

Introduction: Today we begin a series of studies into the foundations of our faith. Over the next couple of months we will be studying some of the foundational principles and teachings which guide our faith and practice.

1. Nature of Scripture - _____.

"The Holy bible was written by men divinely inspired and is God's revelation of Himself to man. It is a perfect treasure of divine instruction. It has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth, without any mixture of error for its matter. Therefore, all Scripture is totally true and trustworthy. It reveals the principles by which God judges us and therefore is, and will remain to the end of the world, the truth center of Christian union, and the supreme standard by which all human conduct, creeds and religious opinions should be tried. All scripture is a testimony to Christ, who is Himself the focus of divine revelation." (The Baptist Faith and Message 2000)

A. The Bible is Divine _____.

There are two types of revelation: **General revelation** and **special revelation**.

General Revelation God's making known His nature and purpose through nature and history.

Special Revelation God's making known His nature and purpose through the written Word and His Son Jesus Christ .

The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky proclaims the work of His hands. Psalm 19:1

B. The Bible is Divinely_____.

C. The Bible is a completed _____.

2. Witnesses to Scripture_____.

A. The First witness_____.

B. The Second witness_____.

C. The Third witness_____.

3. Purpose of Scripture – _____.

Consider three things then which will help as we seek to apply the Scripture to our everyday lives.

A. _____ **it.**

B. _____ **it.**

C. _____ **it.**