

Anchor of Hope

Lesson 1

God Is the Author of the Scriptures



The more we search the Bible, the deeper is our conviction that it is the word of the living God, and human reason bows before the majesty of divine revelation.

The word of the Lord is not merely written, but spoken. The Bible is God's voice speaking to us, just as surely as though we can hear it with our own ears. If we realize this, with what awe we would open God's word and with what earnestness would we search its precepts!

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1. What would God say to us if we entered into a conversation with Him? Jeremiah 29:11; Romans 15:4.

We don't have to speculate. We don't have to guess. We have the assurance that this is what God says His thoughts are to us.

2. What does God want us to glory in? Jeremiah 9:24 (first part).

3. God states clearly in scripture what his character is like. He makes no mistake. He doesn't leave it to chance or speculation. Jeremiah 9:24 (last part); Exodus 34:6, 7.

4. Who is this God who reveals His thoughts to us in the scriptures? Isaiah 45:18. _____

God's ability to create shows His intimate involvement in our very existence. His declaration that there is "none else" is a statement of commitment and involvement in our lives.

5. How does He create? Genesis 1:3, 6, 9, 11, 14. _____

Psalm 33: 6, 9. _____

Not only did God create. He upholds all things by what? Hebrews 1:3. _____

6. If by His word, He can uphold the worlds, planets, stars and

universe, don't you think He can uphold you? Isaiah 41:10. _____

7. What does He plan for the creative power in His word to do for you? Isaiah 40: 25-31. _____

God knows you ... He knows your struggles, fears and cries of your heart. The same creative power that brought all things into existence through the Word, is the same power that keeps you, upholds you, and strengthens you.

8. What does God say happens when His word goes out? Isaiah 55:11. _____

9. Here is the experience of one who trusted the power of Jesus' spoken word. Matthew 8:8-10.

It was trust in the word only. The centurion did not look for the Lord to heal his servant in some way apart from the spoken word. No. He heard the word, "So be it done unto thee." He accepted that word as being truth- the word of God- and expected it, depended upon it, to accomplish that which it said. And it was so.

10. What was David's heartfelt response to God's word in Psalms 119:116? _____

Response:

God, you are speaking to my heart through the scriptures ... When you reveal to me your thoughts, you desire to create a loving response in me. Hope is kindled in my heart. With David I can say, "Uphold me by your word and I shall be safe."

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Listen to His voice as He speaks to you through His Word.
Let His truth be received into your heart.

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