

The Ministry
of the Holy Spirit



His Role in the Formation of the Bible

Revelation - Inspiration - Illumination

- ❖ 2Tim 3:16, 17 All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.

- ❖ Mt 5:17 Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish but to fulfill.
- ❖ Gal 3:16 Now the promises were spoken to Abraham and to his seed. He does not say, “And to seeds,” as *referring* to many, but *rather* to one, “^bAnd to your seed,” that is, Christ.

❖ 2Pet 1:21 for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will,
but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

The Means of Revelation were varied

- ❖ Ex 19:9 The LORD said to Moses, “Behold, I will come to you in a thick cloud, so that the people may hear when I speak with you and may also believe in you forever.” Then Moses told the words of the people to the LORD.
- ❖ Joel 2:28,29 It will come about after this that I will pour out My Spirit on all mankind; and your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. Even on the male and female servants I will pour out My Spirit in those days.

- ❖ Ezek 1:3 the word of the LORD came expressly to Ezekiel the priest, son of Buzi, in the land of the Chaldeans by the river Chebar; and there the hand of the LORD came upon him.
- ❖ Jn 14:26 But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you.

The Agent of Inspiration

- ❖ 2Sam 23:2,3 The Spirit of the LORD spoke through me; his word was on my tongue. The God of Israel spoke, the Rock of Israel said to me:...
- ❖ Mk 12:36 David himself, speaking by the Holy Spirit, declared: “The Lord said to my Lord: “Sit at my right hand until I put your enemies under your feet.””
- ❖ Acts 28:25 (Isa 6:9,10) Paul had spoken one *parting* word, “The Holy Spirit rightly spoke through Isaiah the prophet to your fathers,...

- ❖ Heb 9:6-8 (vs 8) - The Holy Spirit was showing by this that the way into the Most Holy Place had not yet been disclosed as long as the first tabernacle was still standing.
- ❖ Heb 10:15,16 (vs 15) - The Holy Spirit also testifies to us about this. First he says:...
- ❖ Heb 3:7-10 (vs 7) - Therefore, just as the Holy Spirit says, "TODAY IF YOU HEAR HIS VOICE,..."

Scope of OT included in Inspiration

- ❖ 1Pet 1:10,11 Concerning this salvation, the prophets, who spoke of the grace that was to come to you, searched intently and with the greatest care, trying to find out the time and circumstances to which the Spirit of Christ in them was pointing when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the glories that would follow.
- ❖ 2Pet 1:21 For prophecy never had its origin in the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.
- ❖ Pro 16:7 When a man's ways are pleasing to the LORD, he makes even his enemies live at peace with him.

Inspiration of the NT

- ❖ Jn 14:26 But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you.
- ❖ Jn 16:14 He will bring glory to me by taking from what is mine and making it known to you.

- ❖ 1Tim 5:18 For the Scripture says, “Do not muzzle the ox while it is treading out the grain,” and “The worker deserves his wages.”
- ❖ 2Pet 3:16 He writes the same way in all his letters, speaking in them of these matters. His letters contain some things that are hard to understand, which ignorant and unstable people distort, as they do the other Scriptures, to their own destruction.

Illumination

- ❖ Mt 22:29 **But Jesus answered and said to them, “You are mistaken, not understanding the Scriptures nor the power of God.**
- ❖ Heb 4:12 For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

- ❖ 1Cor 2:9,10,12 but just as it is written, “THINGS WHICH EYE HAS NOT SEEN AND EAR HAS NOT HEARD, AND *which* HAVE NOT ENTERED THE HEART OF MAN, ALL THAT GOD HAS PREPARED FOR THOSE WHO LOVE HIM.” For to us God revealed *them* through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches all things, even the depths of God. Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may know the things freely given to us by God
- ❖ Ps 119:18 Open my eyes, that I may behold wonderful things from Your law.

