

## What Think Ye About The Bible? Part 4.

Without summarizing the previous three articles about the Bible, we concluded in the last segment that "Orthodox" Christianity is THE FAITH passed on to mankind as found in the 66 Books/ Epistles of the Bible.

It is the official position of Orthodox Christianity that the Bible, God's Holy Word to mankind, is SELF AUTHENTICATING. There is no jury, no judge, no council, no synod, no Association, no convention nor any other human establishment that shall, or can pass judgment on the Bible. It is to be accepted and believed.

From Genesis to Revelation the Bible proclaims to be the very Word of God. II Timothy 3:16 states in no ambiguous terms that all Scripture is given by INSPIRATION (God-Breathed) of God and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction and instruction in righteousness. Throughout the Bible we read over and over the most familiar term "Thus saith the Lord." Therefore, when Jesus, the God-Man, tells man "You Must Be Born Again" (John 3:3; 7; Titus 3:5) - born from above, by the regeneration of the Holy Spirit of God, we ought to seriously heed Jesus' exhortation and ask "OK, how can I be born again?" (Much more on that in later articles).

A further implication of the Self Authentication of the Bible is that the Bible trumps all other humanly generated instruments such as the Magna Carta, the US Constitution, The Communist Manifesto, the Human Manifesto, the United Nations Charter, etc. As an illustration and to be very clear: the Bible says that Abortion is MURDER. Regardless how many States amend their Constitution and include that Abortion is a Constitutional right, the precepts of God's Word, the Bible still trumps these evil laws, and unambiguously maintains that Abortion is murder, and God Almighty will hold individual people, States and Nations accountable for murder and rebellion against God's Laws.

The same principle applies to homosexuality, transgenderism, mutilation of children's sexual organs, any and all heterosexual activity outside the bond of marriage, and a multitude of other transgressions of God's established order.

There are people who are in the habit of picking and choosing certain parts of the Bible that they like, and reject other parts. But, they do that at their own peril. The Bible, God's Holy Word (all 66 books of the Bible) are to be read, studied, believed and are to be obeyed.

Friedrich Schleiermacher (1768-1834) was a German Theologian/Philosopher. He is known as the Father of Modern Liberal Theology. He rejected the core doctrines of Orthodox Christianity, such as the eternal Deity of Christ, the Vicarious Atonement of Christ, and even the necessity of the Atonement. He removed all spiritual aspects of the Bible and focused on ethics and human morality. However, his teaching caught on all over Europe and even in America. Seminaries in both

continents became infected by his poison. Today, these seminaries are producing "pastors" who are spiritually dead and who are teaching to spiritually dead congregations.

May I state categorically, right now Mr. Schleiermacher knows that he sat in judgment over the Bible at his own PERIL. He chose and picked what "he" liked about the Bible, and rejected imperial doctrines of the true Orthodox Christian Faith. Sadly, there are theological seminaries all over the US, Canada, Australia and Europe that are promulgation this false teaching.

Let me state again. The Bible is to be accepted and to be believed. Tampering with the content of God's Word jeopardizes one's eternal soul. Do not add to it, and do not subtract from it.

In summary of this segment, the Bible is the authoritative, infallible, inspired, inerrant in the original autographs Word of God. It is not correct to say that the Bible "contains" the Word of God because that leaves wiggle room for some to choose and pick what they like and what they dislike. But, it is necessary to state categorically that the Bible (all 66 books) is the VERY WORD OF GOD.

In the next segment we will list some of the key doctrines found in this precious book from God to man.

Psalm 119:11 KJV

Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.

Psalm 119:105 KJV

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

Lord, your word will not return unto void.

My heart is stirred!

There are a multiplicity of voices out there.

With Warm Regards

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I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ

Romans 1:16