

Bibliology.txt

Introduction

Bibliology = knowledge of "the book"

"The Bible is not a book man could write if he would, nor is it a book man would write if he could." Lewis Sperry Chafer

Bibliology

why do we have the Bible?

DTRN 6:20+

PSLM 14:1-2

quoted in RMNS 3

JOHN 5:39

what is the Bible?

βιβλιος = book

"the" book

LUKE 4:17 (βιβλιον = scroll)

- synagogue + scroll = probably Hebrew

- it doesn't say that He spoke (He probably did) ?so

as not to deify the scroll

*ology = subject of study

λόγος

= reason, word

used [in forms] for Jesus, Old Testament, and oracles

MTTH 15:6 (Mosaic law)

JOHN 10:35 (OT)

HBRW 4:12 (all Scripture)

γράφει = writings [sacred], Scripture

MTTH 21:42 (Psalm 118:22-23)

JOHN 5:39 (ALL)

Testament

= 3rd person testimony (living will)

Relationship between Scripture and word

JOHN 1:1+

word ~ God ~ Man (v.14)

PRVB 8:22

GNSS 1:1 ~ κη

RVLT 1:8 ~ Αλφα & Ω

LUKE 24

27) γραφητων, γραφαις (Mosaic Law, Prophets)

44) λογοι (Mosaic Law, Prophets, Psalms)

45) γραφας (Scriptures)

Formation (progressive revelation)

1600 years from start to finish

66 books

49 "original"

40 authors

3 languages (Hebrew, Greek, Aramaic)

3 continents

Israel, Babylon, Egypt, Greece, Rome, Arabia, Asia/Turkey

Authors - kings, priests, prophets, soldiers, statesmen,

shepherds, fishermen, tax collector, doctor, farmer, other

what is the Bible? the necessary, completed, progressive revelation
of God's word.

necessary ~ DTRN 8:3

completed ~ HBRW 1:1-2, RVLT 22:18-19

progressive ~ LUKE 24:44

Gospel

All about Jesus

LUKE 24:44

Bibliology.txt

Knowing the word
Synthesis

= combination, composition

ACTS 19:11+

sons of Sceva

"Jesus whom Paul proclaims"

"who are you?"

MTTH 7:21-23

"depart from Me, I never knew you"

Lord, LORD ~ only _knew_ 2/3

touching

DTRN 4:7-8 ~ the means

RMNS 7:1-4 ~ the reason

divorce & death

~ otherwise no chance to be with Him!

NMBR 15:37+ ~ the

tassles, tzitzit

= a reminder because we need something to touch

rituals, furniture

{Manna}

Sword

Bread

2TMT 3:16

ΘΕΟΠΝΕΥΣΤΟΣ = God-breathed

RMNS 15:4

given for our instruction

through endurance

encouragement OF the Scriptures

HBRW 4:12

living

active

sharp[est]

piercing (TO the division, not causing the division)

discerning thoughts AND intentions

* like it were written concurrently with the reading

sees all [naked and exposed]

ISAH 55:11ish

manna-like

unfailing

it "does" things

John 1:14

became flesh (past tense)

dwelt among us

was seen

condescension

~> the word is more than the γράφει

Luke 8:11

it is like a seed ~

a seed contains all of the material necessary for exponential growth

testa = coat/shell

cotyledon = energy source

embryo = information & beginning material

Ps 119:105

a lamp gives light via contained fire

MY feet

MY path

John 5:39

it is gospel

eternal life

witness...of whom?
it is indomitable ~ Pro 30:5+
the shield
no need to add to it
HIS word(s) (not ours, not our responsibility)
1) remove iniquity
2) manna

Related doctrines/concepts

Infallibility

= incapable of being wrong
inerrancy = free of mistakes
precision = "a cutting off" (of abstraction); free of craft
accurate = carefully prepared
Unbreakable

Is 40:8

Jn 10:35

Complete

Deut 4:2

Rev 22:19

e.g. wallace's argument: minor variations between documents eschew
fallibility because NO doctrinal error compound - defying probability they touch
only meaningless texts

Canon

= rules for acceptance

2Pet 1:20-21

Rom 3:2

Jews stewarded OT

by whom?

as opposed to what?

Characteristics

glorifies God

fallen man

redemption of man

continuity of ethic

prophetic

prejudice (heroes are faulty)

Genesis (Jacob)

Acts

demarcations

Matt 23:35

Jesus authenticates/recognizes the original book order
(first and last murder)

Covenants ->

Dispensations ->

Orthodoxy

Prophecy is Pattern

Revelation

= answers

is there a God?

does He communicate?

if so, what does He say?

Bibliology.txt

General Revelation

Romans 1

Special Revelation

To know God

2Tim 3:15

To share God

2Tim 3:16

To experience God

Ps 19:7-11

To watch and learn

Rom 15:4

Disclosure

...of what?

natural/general

specific

Thief on the cross

saved at the absolute last possible moment

testimony? how many thousands (millions?) of people accepted a call on his

Inspiration

theopneustos - God breathed

pneuma = spirit

implication ~ Holy Spirit involvement

2Tim 3:16

verbal plenary

= in the form of words (verbage)

= unqualified, fully attended

Divine superintendence

Authorship

2Pet 1:21 ~ carried along...

divine

direct - Ex 33?

dictated - "Write this down"

human

direct

scribbed - Prov 25:1

duality

Exodus 20:12 - words God spoke (v.1)

Matthew 15:4 - God "commanded"

Mark 7:10 - Moses "said"

Interaction

mouth-to-mouth Num 12:7-8

face-to-face Deut 34:10

Authority

credibility

relevance

genuineness

heresies

rationalism (mind)

mysticism (experience)

romanism (christendom)

neo-orthodox (encounter)

fallible intermediary scripture

word -> scripture-filter -> man

cultic (additional scriptures)

why do these exist? they point toward Authority...

Orthodoxy

the Bible is the Authority

the overwashed Spirit 'illuminates' the Scripture

Distinctions and Dichotomies

Verbal Issues

Revelation ~ Inspiration
Infallibility ~ Inerrancy
Authority ~ Credibility
Precision ~ Accuracy
Covenants ~ Dispensations
Scripture ~ Word

Interpretation

= removing obscurity

i.e. counting) = study of elections
e.g. psephology ~ psephos + logos (pebble knowledge,

= a conception of another's

exegesis = explainable, "to lead rightly"

eisegesis ~ a hybrid of 'eis' (meaning into) and

'gesis' as above

Discernment = perception of right and wrong

etymology = the study of word lineage

God shapes word usage and language creation to His

ends

Illumination

= clarification (also, decoration ~ remez)

also = decoration

Blindness

2Cor ? - the veil

?hidden name Rev 2

Scripture's power to change

spirit - rebuilt on salvation

soul - healthy activities

body - hygienic tendencies

Wondrous Message

Transmission

Written Language

perspicuity

= able to look through, transparency, clearness

"the Bible is a plain book", see "Golden Rule" later

Psalms 119:130

clarity in things which are meant to be known

timeless terms and figures of speech

endurance

John 10:35 - permanent truths

2 Peter 1:19 - satisfies the diligent

Acts 8:26+ - effectually calls the searcher

not our responsibility directly

1Tim 2:3-4

Example

Dead sea scrolls ~ 100BC - 100AD

Masoretic text ~ 1000AD

Diocletian

"the christian is destroyed and the worship of the

gods restored"

10 years later ~ Christendom

Voltaire

"50 years from now: the world will hear no more

about the Bible"

50 years later the Geneva Bible Society began

printing Bibles on his printing press

Tyndale

Thomas Payne

Bibliology.txt
"when I get through there will not be 5 Bibles in

America"

tent-maker ~ skenopoios (scenographer)
Acts 18:3 (?2Cor 11:1-2,12?; Phlp 3:12,4:3)
idiom or tradecraft
Pharisee <> skins
Scripture is indestructible
1Pet 1:23-25
a warning to meddlers: Rev 22:19
fiduciary = a trustee
1Thess 2:8
implies a beneficiary
Matt 25
accountability not of γραφει but of ourselves [transformed

by the word]

God takes the responsibility for preserving γραφει
indestructible
Ps 113:89
Influence
billions of lives changed
cleanliness
legality
honor
charity

Levels of Inspiration ->

Laws of Interpretation ->

Literary Forms ->
historical narrative
biography
poetry
proverbs
drama
sermons
letters/epistles
psalms/songs

Figures of Speech ->