



The Caller

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Confidence Corner

In this week's Confidence Corner, we want to focus about the Bible's own claim to inspiration. Whether one believes the Bible to be true or not, they would expect that if a book comes from God such a book would claim to be inspired. The Bible indeed does claim to be inspired (2 Tim. 3:16-17). The claim of inspiration extends to both the Old and the New Testaments.

Jesus, Himself, when referencing the OT recognized it as inspired and authoritative. Whether we consider His statements regarding the fact that He came to fulfill the Law and the prophets or His rebuke stating that the Jewish leaders "erred not knowing the Scriptures," both statements imply that Christ viewed the OT Scriptures as inspired and/or authoritative.

The apostles as well seemed to view the Old Testament as inspired. They viewed Christ as the chief cornerstone of the church being built upon the foundations of the apostles and the prophets. They viewed their writings as well as the OT as the basis for the foundation of the Church (Eph 2:20).

The Bible itself provides information regarding the characteristics of a document inspired of God. In the NT we read that the Scriptures are able to make one wise unto salvation through faith (Rom. 10:17). Scripture is inspired and profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, so that the man of God might be complete, thoroughly furnished unto all good works. (2 Tim 3:16-17). Though there are many things of this world that will perish, the Word of God will stand forever (Matt. 24:35; Is. 40:8; 1 Pet. 1:24-25).

The Old Testament extols the virtue of the Word of God and reveals its inspired nature through implication. Statements that refer to the "law of the LORD" claim that it is perfect (Psalm 19:7). Such perfection would be expected of a document from God.

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DEACON WORKSHOP

Saturday, February 22, 2020

9:00am to 3:00pm

Elizabethtown Church of Christ

With

Aubrey Johnson

Session 1— The Deacon's Role: Understand Your Purpose

Session 2— The Deacon's Requirements: Refine Your Character

Session 3— The Deacon's Responsibilities: Improve Your Performance

Session 4— The Deacon's Relationships: Treasure Your Team

Session 5— The Deacon's Reward: Keep Your Focus

*lunch will be provided

Please RSVP to 270-765-6446 by February 15, 2020

Sunday's Sermons:

A. M. — GOD IS WITH US

EXODUS 3:1-12

P. M. — WHAT GOD CREATES IS GOOD

GENESIS 1:26-28

What Do You Put Into Your Body?



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