

The Dependable Word

There are so many words spoken, emailed, or texted. The sad thing is that many of them are not true. It is hard to find dependable words. The Holy Scriptures are the one exception. That is because it is God's Word. Every word of the Bible is true. It was written by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.

The following passages support the statements made in the above paragraph:

- **All Scripture is breathed out by God. (2 Tim. 3:16)**
- **For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit. (2 Peter 1:21)**
- **And we impart this in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual truths to those who are spiritual. (1 Cor. 2:13)**
- **Your word is truth. (John 17:17)**

Whenever the Holy Spirit moved these men to write, He so controlled their thinking that they recorded no fact, expressed no idea, taught no doctrine which God did not want them to write. Therefore the entire thought content of the Bible, whether this pertains to our salvation, or to facts in history and nature, or to rules of life, is exactly what God wanted them to embody in his Book. (Annotated Catechism by Edward W. A. Koehler)

In the words of the Catechism "What Does This Mean?"

- It means that the Bible has the only answer to how we are saved. It is able to make us wise unto salvation.
- It means that we may safely build our faith on its promises.
- It means that we can trust God when he invites us come to him when we need protection or rest.
- It means that we have a clear and dependable guide for our lives.

Prayer: Thank you for giving us your saving Word. Help us to diligently read and study it and share it with others. Amen.