

us in both the message and the meaning, “to guide us into all truth” (Jn. 16:13). Are you allowing Him to teach you through His Word? Are you leaning on His strength as you seek to put into practice what He shows you (Matt. 5:16)?

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Answer Key

1. *hearing*
2. *see*
3. *moved*
4. *divinely appointed*
5. *diversely adapted*
6. *promote a response*
7. *produce repentance*
8. *promise of restoration*



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INSPIRATION

GOD ILLUMINATES A PEOPLE GROUP

ADULT LESSON 2

LESSON TWO: INSPIRATION

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A FEW

A PEOPLE GROUP

A GENERATION

THE WORLD



What would be the most accurate way in which to share with others, over and over again, a revelation given by God? The second piece of this four-part plan used by God is inspiration.

I. Explanation of Inspiration

- A. Distinction - Revelation is _____ God's truth; Inspiration is enabling one to _____ God's truth.
- B. Definition of Inspiration - The infusion of ideas into the mind by the Holy Spirit; the conveying into the minds of men, ideas, notices or monitions by extraordinary or supernatural influence; or the communication of the divine will to the understanding by suggestions or impressions on the mind, which leave no room to doubt the reality of their supernatural origin.
- C. Definition of Inspired - Informed or directed by the Holy Spirit.

II. Expounding upon of Inspiration by the Holy Spirit

A. The Process of Inspiration (2 Pt. 1:21)

1. _____ - Literally, the Holy Spirit superintended the reception and the recording of the divine message by the human authors, so that they were preserved from mental errors and mechanical blunders. The Scriptures truly were given supernaturally.
2. The span of time that God used this method was approximately 1600 years (most scholars place Job between 1500-1400 BC and Revelation around AD 95).
3. Written in Hebrew, Greek, and a few passages in Daniel, Ezra, and Jeremiah believed to have been written in Aramaic.

B. The People used by Inspiration:

1. They were _____ - Approximately 40 authors known and a few wrote anonymously.

2. They were _____ - the Holy Spirit of God used men of many various backgrounds and experiences.

- C. The Product of inspiration (II Tim. 3:16) "All" - All means exactly what it says—all, including the great events and miracles that are recorded, as well as the less exciting parts of genealogies and things of the sort. It is not our place to pick and choose or make judgments of what is or is not inspired. God said "All" is inspired.

III. An example of the value of the written Word.

A. Jeremiah 30

God instructed Jeremiah to pen down the revelation that He had given to Jeremiah. It was not enough that Jeremiah just preach it (Jer. 1:9). God knew there was a more effective means of communicating His truths to the most possible people.

- B. Jeremiah 36 records God's explanation to Jeremiah for him to write down the revelation he had been given.

1. The written (inspired) revelation would _____ (Jer. 36:3- "hear").
2. The written (inspired) revelation would _____ (Jer. 36:3- "return").
3. The written (inspired) revelation would give a _____ (Jer. 36:3 - "forgiveness"- restoration of broken fellowship because of sin). God gave Jeremiah a revelation of divine truth in vs.3 ("purpose to do"). Jeremiah conveyed the revelation to Baruch through an inspired message to be penned (Jer. 36:18).

People often say, "I don't read the Bible because I just can't understand it." The moment we become born again, we are indwelt by the Holy Spirit of God, the very author of the divine manuscript, the Bible. The Holy Spirit's work concerning the Word of God does not cease in the inspiration of it, but is ongoing in the believer's life. We are afforded the privilege of having truth imparted to us by the Author Himself. He teaches us and instructs