

put down the right ideas but that is not what we mean by inspiration. Inspiration is the guiding of the Holy Spirit so that their words will convey the thought which He wished conveyed. Verbal inspiration is a ~~repetition~~ of words--it means the words are fitting words to represent the idea. I don't like the term--"verbal inspiration" because it is a needless repetition of words.--it is kept from error of any type. God could have dictated word for word if He had chosen to do so but He didn't but He did keep the Word from all error in fact, doctrine or judgment. Any writing is filled with with all kind of errors but not the Bible though it has the flavor of the times in which it was written naturally.

- (6) Inspiration is subject to the limitations of the writer. ILL. of taking a air-view picture of the earth--we do not ~~mean~~ ^{mean} that the Bible is a regular ency. --No, God has revealed to us only the things which He wanted us to know for eternal life. We are not going to find answers to all kinds of of scientific problems in the Bible--that was not God purpose. But where the Bible touces on this and that science we know that the facts mentioned pertaining thereto are correct.

Record # 12 --Ill. of taking a trip into Canada and going 390 miles therein, but that doesn't prove that Canada is just ~~just~~ 300 miles in length at all. We must be careful not read into the Bible something that is not there. Just go as far as the statments say. God didn't make up a mathematical language for the Bible. Properly interpreted it teaches no error against science. Inspiration then means that what has been written there is free from error and may be the only way to say it, but there may be another way to say the very same thing. God didn't limit Himself by using the language that man used but rather He accomadated us by using something we could understand. A steamshovel would never do to feed anybody. It is a mistake to say, " Does the Bible teach this or that?"--Rather was should ask ourselves what does the Bible teach? It is a limitation of human words that are used and we must always keep that mind as we read the Bible.

Being followers of Jesus Christ we want to follow Him as He would have us. However He is not here now, and though we look forward to seeing Him face to face as we know we shall, in the meantime we have His Word as found in the Bible. This book is that Revelation that has been given to us--free from error written for our learning.