

who had not carefully examined it and found the great truths ~~of~~ lying beneath the surface, he called them fools and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken.

At this point briefly I would like to discuss two terms which it is good for us to keep in mind. One of these is revelation. The second is inspiration. Revelation is the giving of ideas from one person to another. Dr. Boice two weeks ago very clearly brought out the fact that it is in the nature of a person to communicate. Communication means we express ideas. We do this in various ways. Sometimes with clearly expressed, careful language. Sometimes the words that we use convey an idea very ~~diff~~ different from the word ==from what the word sounds. For instance when I meet some one, and I say, Good morning, he does not stop and think, Well now is he right. Is this really a good morning? He takes the words to mean, I recognize your existence as a personilty towards whom I have a frëndly feeling. It communicates an attitude which is not readily expressed by the words. Ideas are expressed in various ways.

The important thing in a revelation is the ideas that God gave to those ~~to~~ whom he revealed the matters He intended should be included in His word. The important thing to us are the ideas that He gave tht we receive from the Scripture that God has caused to be handed down to us. God reveals ideas. The entire _____ of the Bible were given to the writers as God spoke to them, gave them pictures, put ideas into their minds and in various ways revealed to them ideas. Other parts of the Scripture were written as God sãlected these particular men to observe facts, to notice situations, to hear what people said and to write it down. The Scripture inclues === includes part of what God revealed to them and part of the things they themselves saw,experienced,or heard. But all of this is a revelation to us, because all of it gives us the idea he wants us to have.