The second word I want to speak a little about is the word inspiration. The word inspiration in a simple sense means to breath in. Of course we have the scripture that all Scripture is breathen in by God. It is a figurative term. It means that God has overseen every aspect of His preparation. God prepared in advance those who would write the Scripture. He selected men who would have exactly the experiences and exactly the abilities He desired to be had by those who would write parts of his Word. He led them in their selection of what they would write. He oversaw the words they selected from their own vocabulary and from their own method of expression. He selected those that would convey the thoughts that He wished expressed.

Revelation refers to ideas. Inspiration refers to words. To say that the ideas are inspired is nonsense. The ideas are revealed. It is the words that express the ideas that are inspired. What it really means is that God kept from error the words that were used so that the words would truly present the ideas that He wished to convey, nor did God include any ideas that He did not wish conveyed to His people during subsequent ages .

Thus revelation and inspiration as far as the Bible is concerned are well summarized in the word inerrancy.

Now I would like to mention five important_____ errors that we can easily fall into in relation to inerrancy, and to point out the danger of them so that we can avoid them. In the first place inerrancy does not mean that all knowledge is there. Whatever is clearly taught in the Bible is true. Whatever we can properly deduce from its statements, comparing Scripture with Scripture is without error. But this does not mean that we can take a particular verse and can squeeze it to death and insist that every inference we could draw from it and every possible meaning of the words contained in it is true and that by

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