



B) INSPIRATION

1) THE EXPLANATION OF INSPIRATION

a) The Definition Of Inspiration

- *Inspiration* = “the act of breathing into anything; the infusion of ideas into the mind by the Holy Spirit”
- The transliteration of the Greek word translated INSPIRATION in 2 Tim 3:16 is “God-breathed” (θεοπνευστος)
- *Inspiration* is related to being *moved* by the Holy Ghost (2 Pet 1:21)



B) INSPIRATION

b) The Dual Agency Of Inspiration

The dual agency (“confluency”) of God and man in divine revelation resulted in a PURE and PERFECT product through two miraculous processes:

1. INCARNATION – the **Savior** (Luke 1:35)
2. INSPIRATION – the **Scriptures** (2 Pet 1:20-21)
cf. (2 Sam 23:2)



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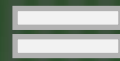
The Human

(“...holy MEN of God spake...”)



The Divine

(“...as they were moved by the HOLY GHOST”)



The Miracle

(“...prophecy of the SCRIPTURE...”)



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2) THE EXTENT OF INSPIRATION

a) The Facts

1. VERBAL INSPIRATION – the WORDS are inspired (Deu 6:6; Psa 12:6; John 17:8; 1 Cor 2:13)
2. PLENARY INSPIRATION – ALL the words are EQUALLY inspired (Pro 30:5; Matt 4:4; 5:18; 2 Tim 3:16)

“...He pronounced ALL (plenary inspiration) these WORDS (verbal inspiration) unto ME with HIS mouth (confluency)...” (Jer 36:18)



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2) THE EXTENT OF INSPIRATION

b) The Fallacies

1. DYNAMIC INSPIRATION (also known as Mechanical Dictation) – denies CONFLUENT inspiration
2. CONCEPTUAL INSPIRATION (also known as Thought Inspiration) – denies VERBAL inspiration
3. PARTIAL INSPIRATION (also known as Degree Inspiration) – denies PLENARY inspiration
4. NATURAL INSPIRATION (also known as Genius Inspiration) – makes the men the subject of inspiration instead of the scriptures
5. PERSONAL ENCOUNTER INSPIRATION – denies that the Bible IS the word of God