

## THE BIBLE AND REVELATION

Man from every walk of life has a basis of authority on which he thinks and acts. For the Christian that basis of authority is the Bible. The Bible is a book that is very unique. Unique in that it was written over a period of 1500 years and by over 40 different authors. And what is so remarkable about this, is that they wrote without any contradictions. Also, it speaks with great ease concerning the known and the unknown, the past, the future, the pleasant, the unpleasant, only a book written by God could speak with such authority.

The Bible is God's revelation to man. The word revelation means unveiling. Without going into great detail about this subject of revelation, let me simply say that this unveiling is from God to man. That is to say, that man heard that which God wanted written and man wrote. This in simple terms is the meaning of revelation.

The meaning of revelation has been divided generally into two categories: general and special revelation. General revelation refers to things apart from Christ and the Bible. Some also make note to natural theology when they refer to general revelation. Special revelation is that which has come through Christ and the Bible. General revelation is sufficient to alert man to the existence of God. Special revelation shows man God's Law and what he must do in order to have peace with God.

Scripture: King James Version: Romans 1:18-21; Colossians 1:15-17; John 1:18; I John 5:9-12; II Timothy 3:16.

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