



Part 2

REVELATION

INSPIRATION

ILLUMINATION

The Holy Spirit

**For our gospel did not come to you
in word only, but also in power and in
the Holy spirit and with full
conviction
I Thess. 1.5**



REVELATION

	<p>“In the broadest sense revelation is the sum total of the ways in which God make Himself known”</p>

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	<h1>Revelation</h1>
	<h2>1) Theophanies</h2>

Gen. 17.1 the Lord appeared to Abram

Gen. 18.1 the Lord appeared to him by the oaks of Mamre,

Gen. 26.1 the Lord appeared to him and said “do not go down to Egypt.

Gen. 32.30 I have seen God face to face, yet my life has been preserved

Ex. 3.2-6 “do not come near here ; remove your sandals from you feet.

Ex. 33.11 the Lord used to speak to Moses face to face.

Judges 6.12 the angel of the Lord appeared to him and said “the Lord is with you

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Numb. 12.6 “hear now My words; if there is a prophet among you, I, The Lord, shall make Myself known to him in a vision. I shall speak with him in a dream.

Gen. 28. 12-16 He had a dream, and behold, a ladder was set on the earth with its top reaching heaven

I Kings 3.5-15 In Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream at night; and God said, " Ask what you wish Me to give you.“

Daniel 2.19 Then the mystery was revealed to Daniel in a night vision.

Daniel 7.1 “Daniel saw a dream and visions in his mind as he lay on his bed; then he wrote the dream down and related the following summary.

Mt. 1.20 but when he had considered this, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream

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Flood and salvation of Noah: Gen. 6-9

Sodom and Gomorra preservation of Lot: Gen. 19

Burning bush, plagues of Egypt, column of cloud/fire
deliverance of Israel Ex. 3-15

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Amos 1.1 The words of Amos, who was among the shepherders from Tekoa, which he envisioned in visions concerning Israel in the days of Uzziah king of Judah,

Ezekiel 3.4; Then He said to me, "Son of man, go to the house of Israel and speak with My words to them. 5 For you are not being sent to a people of unintelligible speech or difficult language, but to the house of Israel,

Micah 3.8 On the other hand I am filled with power — With the Spirit of the Lord — And with justice and courage To make known to Jacob his rebellious act, Even to Israel his sin.

I Pet. 3.7

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Jn. 1.18 No one has seen God at any time; the only begotten God who is in the bosom of the Father, He has explained Him.

Mt. 11.27 All things have been handed over to Me by My Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father; nor does anyone know the Father except the Son, and anyone to whom the Son wills to reveal Him.

Jn. 14.9 Jesus *said to him, "Have I been so long with you, and yet you have not come to know Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; how can you say, 'Show us the Father'?"

Heb. 1.1,2 I God, after He spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways, 2 in these last days has spoken to us in His Son

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Revelation of God In Creation

Ps. 19 1 The heavens are
telling of the glory of God; And
their expanse is declaring the
work of His hands.

Rom. 1.19 because that which is known about God is evident within them; for God made it evident to them. 20 For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse.

Psalm 19

- ⦿ V. 1-6
- ⦿ The heavens are telling of the glory of God; And their expanse is declaring the work of His hands.² Day to day pours forth speech, And night to night reveals knowledge.³ There is no speech, nor are there words

Without Words

- ⦿ V. 7

- ⦿ The law of the Lord is perfect, restoring the soul; The testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple.⁸ The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; The commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes.⁹ The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever; The judgments of the Lord are true; they are righteous altogether.

With words

Acts 14.15 and saying, "Men, why are you doing these things? We are also men of the same nature as you, and preach the gospel to you that you should turn from these vain things to a living God, who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and all that is in them. 16 In the generations gone by He permitted all the nations to go their own ways; 17 and yet He did not leave Himself without witness, in that He did good and gave you rains from heaven and fruitful seasons, satisfying your hearts with food and gladness."



Revelation of God

In Conscience

Rom. 2.14 For when Gentiles who do not have the Law do instinctively the things of the Law, these, not having the Law, are a law to themselves, 15 in that they show the work of the Law written in their hearts, their conscience bearing witness and their thoughts alternately accusing or else defending them,

Man chooses to function here.....



I Cor. 1.21. ...the world through its wisdom did not come to know God.

Eph.4.17-19

- Futility of their mind
- Darkened in understanding
- Hardness of heart
- Become callous
- Practice impurity

Revelation of
Scripture

Revelation of
creation and
conscience



GOD EXISTS

HE HAS SPOKEN

HE HAS SPOKEN TO MANKIND

HE CAN BE UNDERSTOOD

Various Views of Inspiration

- **The Bible is a remarkable human book without divine inspiration**
- **The Bible is partially inspired by God**
 - **Only moral and spiritual teachings are inspired**
 - **Bible “contains” but “is not “ the Word of God**
- **The bible is only divine, dictated mechanically to men**

INSPIRATION

- ◉ VERBAL

- ◉ The Spirit's influence extended to the choice of the words by the human authors.

- ◉ PLENARY

- ◉ Complete in every respect. All is inspired, revelation is complete.

Inspired by the Holy Spirit

- ◉ II Tim. 3.16,17
- ◉ All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; 17 so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.
- ◉ II Pet. 1.21
- ◉ But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, 21 for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

The background image is a landscape photograph. It shows a body of water in the foreground, reflecting the sky. The sky is filled with dark, heavy clouds, but a bright light from the setting or rising sun is visible through a gap in the clouds, creating a horizontal band of light. Silhouetted trees and foliage are visible along the horizon and on the sides of the frame.

Illumination

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The act of the Holy Spirit by which He makes the revelation of God understandable.

I Cor. 2.14-16

But a natural man
does **not accept** the things of the Spirit of God,
for they are foolishness to him;

and he **cannot understand** them,
because they are spiritually appraised.

But he who is spiritual appraises all things,
yet he himself is appraised by no one.

For who has known the mind of the Lord,
that he will instruct Him?

But we have the mind of Christ.

I Cor. 2.10-13

For to us God revealed them
 through the Spirit;
 for the Spirit searches all things,
 even the depths of God.

For who among men knows the thoughts of a man
 except the spirit of the man which is in him?

Even so the thoughts of God
 no one knows except the Spirit of God.

Now we have received, not the spirit of the world,
 but the Spirit who is from God,
so that we may know
 the things freely given to us by God,
which things we also speak,
 not in words taught by human wisdom,
 but in those taught by the Spirit,
 combining spiritual thoughts with spiritual words;