



How Do I View God's Word?  
**Proverbs 30:5-6**  
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Within the context of Proverbs 30, Agur admits that true knowledge and wisdom comes from divine revelation and not from human reasoning.

“The problem in rejecting Scripture is *not* that you end up believing in nothing, but that you end up believing in anything.” Ravi Zacharias

**Proverbs 30:1-4** *The words of Agur the son of Jakeh, his utterance. This man declared to Ithiel—to Ithiel and Ucal: <sup>2</sup>Surely I am more stupid than any man, And do not have the understanding of a man. <sup>3</sup>I neither learned wisdom nor have knowledge of the Holy One. <sup>4</sup>Who has ascended into heaven, or descended? Who has gathered the wind in His fists? Who has bound the waters in a garment? Who has established all the ends of the earth? What is His name, and what is His Son's name, If you know?*

**John 17:3** *And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.*

1. Agur references the divine source of Scripture.
2. Agur reveals the benefit of those who trust God.
3. Agur provides a severe warning of adding to Scripture.

**Proverbs 30:5-6** *Every word of God is pure; He is a shield to those who put their trust in Him. <sup>6</sup>Do not add to His words, Lest He rebuke you, and you be found a liar.*

**Deuteronomy 12:32** *“Whatever I command you, be careful to observe it; you shall not add to it nor take away from it. \* God has expectations of our submission and obedience.*

When someone rejects the teachings of Scripture, it does not mean they no longer have any ideas about God; it means they will have many wrong ideas.

**Proverbs 30:6** gives warning to believers who would be tempted to add to Scripture to justify their disobedience.

God, in His wisdom and love, gives us commands as a means to enhance our lives and protect us from deceptive and destructive choices.

**Mark 7:10-13** *For Moses said, ‘Honor your father and your mother’; and, ‘He who curses father or mother, let him be put to death.’ <sup>11</sup> But you say, ‘If a man says to his father or mother, “Whatever profit you might have received from me is Corban”—’ (that is, a gift to God), <sup>12</sup> then you no longer let him do anything for his father or his mother, <sup>13</sup> making the word of God of no effect through your tradition which you have handed down. And many such things you do.”*

Why do believers question the credibility of Scripture?

1. Their spiritual enemy is the master of creating doubt and confusion.
  - a. Satan tempted Jesus by the use/misuse of Scripture in Matthew 4.
  - b. **Notice the boldness of Satan to tempt Jesus Christ.**
  - c. **Notice the knowledge of Satan regarding Scripture.**
2. They have legitimate and honest questions regarding Scripture.
3. They use it as a means to justify disobedience.
4. Their experiences, friendships, and opinions often undermine the authority of Scripture.
5. They observe the teachings and practices of the church are inconsistent with Scripture.
6. They see the reality of suffering and injustice.
7. They have experienced unanswered prayer.

### **Theology should dictate our morality.**

1. By “The Holy Bible” we mean the collection of sixty-six books from Genesis to Revelation, which as originally written, does not only contain and convey the Word of God, but IS the very Word of God.

2. By “inspiration” we mean that the books of the Bible were written by holy men of old, as they were moved by the Holy Spirit, in such a definite way that their writings were supernaturally and verbally inspired and free from error, as no other writings have ever been or ever will be inspired.

**2 Timothy 3:16-17, 2Peter 1:19-21, Acts 1:6, 28:25, Psalm 19:7-11, Psalm 119: 89, 105, 130,160, Luke 24:25-27, 44-45 John 17:17, 1 Peter 1:23, Proverbs 30:5-6, Romans 3:4, Luke 16:31, Isaiah 8:20, John 5:39, 45-47, Revelation 22:19**

### **The Writings of the Apostles:**

- Unique Experiences: They had first-hand testimony of the life of Jesus.
- Unique Calling: They received a personal invitation from Jesus.
- Unique Writings: The Holy Spirit directed them.
- Unique Authority: No church, no pastor, no one has equal authority.

Testimony of a Messianic Jew - “I came to saving **faith in Jesus as my Messiah**. I did not come to believe in Him as a way to escape being Jewish, nor assimilate, nor as a reason to put up a Christmas tree. Rather, as I recognized that the Jewish Bible promised a Jewish Messiah to the Jewish people, it was clear that **Yeshua of Nazareth**, the one the western world calls **Jesus**, is the **one who matched the prophecies found in the Hebrew Scriptures.**”

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