

He is Not
Silent!

Bibliology:
Revelation

Two Approaches to the Knowledge of God

- Through our own efforts
 - Emotional experience
 - Reason alone
- Through revelation

Revelation

- Revelation – *apocalypsis*
- Means unveiling or disclosure
- God's drawing back the veil to show us Himself; His self-disclosure
- Two Forms:
 - General
 - Special

General Revelation

Its Messengers

- Creation
- Providence
- Conscience

Its Message

- Nature
 - Ps. 19:1-4 – existence, glory, and greatness
 - Rom. 1:18-20 – a Supreme Being
- Providence
 - Matt. 5:45 – goodness
 - Acts 14:15-17 – goodness & power
- Conscience
 - Rom. 2:14-15 – righteousness & holiness; moral lawgiver
 - Rom. 1:32 – wrath & judgment

Its Effects

- Personal Guilt
- Moral Decline
- God's Wrath

Special Revelation

The Flow of Revelation Old Testament

- Before the Fall
- Patriarchs
- 400 Silent Years
- Moses
- Joshua
- Judges
- The Prophets
- 400 Silent Years

The Flow of Revelation New Testament

- Before the Birth of Christ
- The Ministry of John the Baptist
- During Christ's Ministry
- After Christ's Ascension

The Avenues of Special Revelation

- Personal Address
 - Voice from heaven
 - Theophany
 - Christophany
- Mechanical Means
 - The Lot
 - Urim & Thummim
- Miracles
- Visions & Dreams
- Through Appointed Messengers:
 - Angels
 - Prophets
- The Incarnate Son
- Written Revelation