Introduction:
A. Any copy of the ________ has more value than a pile of ________.
B. We want to hold no other ____________, nor practice any other ________ than that which the NT church believed or practiced as found in the Bible.

I. How and When was the Canon of the Bible put together?
A. It was ______ who decided what books belonged in the biblical canon.
B. Some scholars suggest the OT canon was fixed upon by _____ B.C., while others suggest a date as late as _____ A.D.
C. The Muratorian Canon dated ______ A.D. included all the NT books, except Hebrews, James and 3 John.

II. What is Biblical Authority.
A. Any approach to the subject of biblical authority must begin with ____ ________.
B. God is His own ____________.
C. Jesus’ authority is exercised over the ________ as the head of the ________.
D. Jesus’ authority is expressed through His personal ambassadors, the ___________.
E. Human beings are commanded to ________ God by not straying from His commands and by not changing the ________ of God (Eccl. 12:13; Dt. 5:32; 12:32; Rev. 22:18-19).

III. How Do We Know the Bible is the Word of God?
A. ____________ Evidence
   1. Its claim of ________ origin.
   2. The ________ of the Bible.
   3. The fulfilled ____________ of the Bible.
B. ____________ Evidence
   1. The Bible’s ____________.
   2. The Bible’s ____________.
   3. The Bible’s ____________ and ____________ accuracy.
   4. The dynamic ____________ of the Bible.

Conclusion:
A. The profoundly simple message of the entire Bible is: _____ ________ ___.