1 God's Inspired Word LESSON 5
3 Bible
<ul> <li>The perfect, inspired record of God and His dealings with mankind</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>How We Got Our Bible</li> <li>Inspiration</li> <li>Organization</li> <li>Collection</li> <li>Preservation</li> </ul>
5 What Is Inspiration?
6 Inspiration
<ul> <li>God breathing out His Word to the biblical writers (through the Spirit) so that what they wrote was the Word of God</li> </ul>
7 What Is Inspiration? (cont.)
<ul> <li>Revelation—<u>divine unveiling</u> of truth</li> </ul>
8 Revelation
God displaying Himself through His actions or speech
9 What Is Inspiration? (cont.)
Inspiration— <u>accurate recording</u> of truth
<ul><li>Illumination</li><li>Spiritually empowered understanding of the Scripture</li></ul>
<ul> <li>What Is Inspiration? (cont.)</li> <li>Illumination—spiritual understanding of truth</li> </ul>
12 What Is Inspiration? (cont.)
<ul> <li>Inspiration means that <u>God</u> directed the writing of Scripture so that, without destroying the <u>personalities</u> of the human authors, the end result was the <u>errorless</u>, <u>trustworthy</u>, <u>authoritative</u> Word of God.</li> </ul>
13 Inspiration Described  • Plenary—whole, complete
14 Plenary Inspiration
The doctrine that the entire Bible is inspired
15 Inspiration Described (cont.)
• Verbal— <u>words</u>
16 Verbal Inspiration
<ul> <li>The doctrine that every word and detail of the Bible is inspired</li> </ul>
17 Inspiration Described (cont.)
<ul> <li>Infallible—dependable</li> </ul>

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18 Infallible
<ul> <li>Completely dependable and incapable of failing in its purpose</li> </ul>
19 Inspiration Described (cont.)
<ul> <li>Inerrant—<u>free from error</u></li> </ul>
20 Inerrant
Free from error
21 What Does the Bible Claim to Have?
<ul> <li>Divine <u>inspiration</u> <ul> <li>2 Timothy 3:16</li> </ul> </li> <li>Divine <u>authority</u> <ul> <li>John 12:48</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
22 Authoritative
Requiring obedience
23 Why Did God Give Us the Bible?
To <u>set the record straight</u>
<ul> <li>To plainly <u>reveal</u> Himself and His will to man</li> </ul>
24 Three Truths Found Only in the Bible
<ul> <li>Man is totally <u>depraved</u> (corrupt).</li> <li>– Isaiah 64:6</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Man is <u>helpless</u> to save himself.</li> <li>Romans 5:6</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Man can only be saved by <u>faith</u> in the finished work of Christ on the cross         <ul> <li>Acts 4:12</li> </ul> </li> </ul>