

“Believing what Jesus Believed (about the Bible)”
Matthew 4:1-11

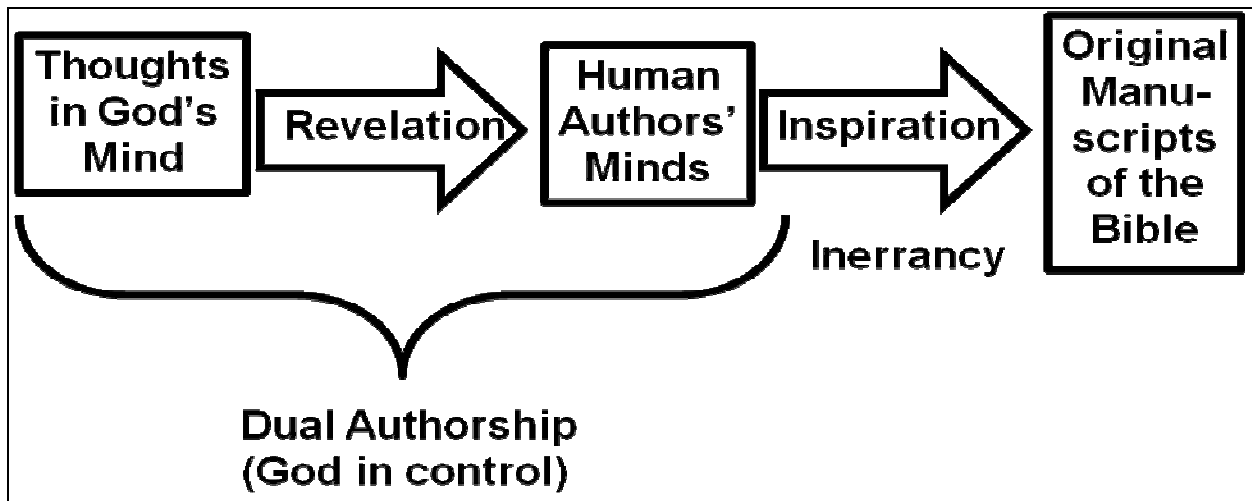
This summer we will be calling out to God from the midst of the overwhelming waves, the deep waters, the miry clay, and the storms. We will ask God to have mercy on us and to deliver us from the trials in which we find ourselves. We will cry out to God, “Lead us to the Rock.”

In order to prepare our hearts for Vacation Bible School (July 12-16), we will be looking at the Bible Basics that have been prepared for this time.

Day Two: “God’s Word is comforting.” Bible Story: Acts 27. Memorize: Psalm 119:50.

Day Three: “God’s Word is surprising.” Bible Story: Acts 28:1-10. Memorize: Psalm 119:18.

The Doctrine of Inspiration and Inerrancy



The Doctrine of Inerrancy

A. God cannot lie or speak falsely (God is true)

- Truth: 1) Corresponds to facts/reality
 2) Faithful, Reliable, can be depended upon
 3) Hebrews 6:18; Titus 1:2; 2 Timothy 2:13; John 17:17

B. All the words in Scripture are God’s words.

- 2 Timothy 3:16 “God-breathed” (Scripture—1 Timothy 5:18; 2 Peter 3:18)
 2 Peter 1:21

C. Therefore, all the words in Scripture are completely true and without error in any part (in the original manuscripts).

- Psalms 12:6; 119:89; Proverbs 30:5; Matthew 24:35; John 17:17

EFCA Statement of Faith

2008 Statement of Faith

The Bible

2. We believe that God has spoken in the Scriptures, both Old and New Testaments, through the words of human authors. As the verbally inspired Word of God, the Bible is without error in the original writings, the complete revelation of His will for salvation, and the ultimate authority by which every realm of human knowledge and endeavor should be judged. Therefore, it is to be believed in all that it teaches, obeyed in all that it requires, and trusted in all that it promises.

1950 Statement of Faith

1. We believe the Scriptures, both Old and New Testaments, to be the inspired Word of God, without error in the original writings, the complete revelation of His will for the salvation of men, and the Divine and final authority for all Christian faith and life.

Day by Day in the Word

“Day by Day in the Word” is a tool we use to help in the transformation process in which the Spirit of God uses the Word of God to bring about Christlikeness.

We will be looking the Scripture References of the EFCA Statement of Faith, adopted on June 26, 2008.

Monday-Tuesday

- Look up the following verses for each of the statements.
- **As the verbally inspired Word of God** (2 Tim. 3:16; 2 Pet. 1:20,21), **the Bible is . . . the complete revelation of His will for salvation** (Luke 16:29-31; Galatians 1:8,9; 2 Timothy 3:15)”
- What questions come to your mind? What principles have you discovered that you can put into practice? Share with a friend what you are working on in your life.

Wednesday-Thursday

- Look up the following verses for each of the statements.
- **As the verbally inspired Word of God** (2 Tim. 3:16; 2 Pet. 1:20,21), **the Bible is . . . the ultimate authority by which every realm of human knowledge and endeavor should be judged** (Jn. 17:17; 1 Tim. 3:15-17; 1 Pet. 1:23; Ps. 119:44,45,165).
- What questions come to your mind? What principles have you discovered that you can put into practice? Share with a friend what you are working on in your life.

Friday-Saturday

- Our series has been entitled, “Lead us to the Rock” (Psalm 61:2). What can you identify about God and what God does from the following verses dealing with the “rock”: Psalm 18:2, 31, 46; 19:14; 27:5; 31:2-3; 40:2; 42:9; 61:2; 62:2, 6-7; 71:3; 78:35; 89:26; 94:22; 95:1. These verses focus on the unfailing strength of God as a fortress refuge and God as our deliverer.
- Read Psalm 61:1-5 and pray them to the Lord. Remember who God is and how God works with you. Ask Him to “lead you to the rock that is higher” than you. (Psalm 61:2)