

### FRONTLINE BIBLE CHURCH

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#### 1 Thessalonians 2:13 2 Timothy 3:16-17



#### 2 STATEMENTS about our Beliefs:

We preserve unity in the church by first agreeing together that we will not allow our differences to become our divisions.

We also preserve unity by placing greater emphasis upon where we agree rather than where we disagree.



# What We Believe: The Bible •The Bible is God's Word

2 Timothy 3:16





#### Where does the word BIBLE come from?

- It is a transliteration of the Greek word, biblos or biblion.
- Biblias is the plural form which means books
- It's not a technical term as it denotes any written document, but specifically one written on papyrus
- In Old French the word biblia became BIBLE in the early 14th century.



#### Did you know this?

- The 39 books of the Old Testament were agreed upon as Scripture before Jesus was born. (Cf. Luke 24:44)
- The New Testament 27 books were "Canonized" in 397 AD at the Council of Carthage.



#### J.I. Packer:

"The Church no more gave us the New Testament canon than Sir Isaac Newton gave us the force of gravity. God gave us the gravity, by His work of creation, and similarly He gave us the New Testament canon, by inspiring the individual books that make it up."



#### Did you know this?

- The chapter divisions in each book were put in place around 1227 AD.
- The Old Testament was divided into verses in 1448 AD.
- The New Testament was divided into verses in 1555 AD.







#### Two main views of Inspiration:

- Ideas and thoughts are inspired but not the very words
- ALL parts are equally inspired, divine and authoritative

2 Peter 1:21—"For prophecy never had its origin in the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit."









#### What We Believe: The Bible

- The Bible is God's word.
- The Bible is God's word FOR US!

2 Timothy 2:15, 3:16-17, Psalm 119:9-11

Read it.

Meditate on it.

Walk according to it.



#### Think about this:

To confess that the Bible is God's inspired Word is a confession that, by definition, places us under its authority. And because of that, it has the power and the right to TEACH, REBUKE, CORRECT and TRAIN US in righteousness.



## The Bible is God's word for us.



#### YOUR CHALLENGE:

Isa 40:8—"The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of our God stands forever."

#### Start small.

- Pick a book of the Bible and read through it this week. Let God speak to you.
- Romans will be super helpful as we go through this series.



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