

First Baptist Church – Odessa

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Date: _____

“The Sword of the Spirit” – Pt. 1

“Desperate Ground – Finding God’s Strength to Stand Firm” - Pt. 13

Ephesians 6:13-17 and Selected

The Holy Bible...

I. Is my most valuable _____ when facing spiritual warfare!

“...and the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God.”

Ephesians 6:17b

II. Is God’s most _____ gift ever given to humanity!

“When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him?” Psalm 8:3-4

• **The Bible is God’s _____ of Himself to mankind.**

“Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days He has spoken to us by His Son, whom He appointed the heir of all things, through whom also He created the world.” Hebrews 1:1-2

“The _____ of Scripture means that all the words in Scripture are God’s words in such a way that to disbelieve or disobey any word of Scripture is to disbelieve or disobey God.”

Wayne Grudem

• **Who wrote the Bible? _____**

“...knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone’s own interpretation. For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.” 2 Peter 1:20-21

“All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.”

2 Timothy 3:16-17

Verbal Plenary Inspiration –

That God *breathed out* _____ the words of both Old and New Testament that He wanted the human agent to record – and they recorded them _____ as He desired.

- **In what _____ was the Bible written?**

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

- **What is the common _____ throughout the Bible?**

The single unfolding theme of the Bible is God’s _____ of human beings from spiritual death and separation from Him because of the evil of sin.

“And you were dead in your trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience.” Ephesians 2:1-2

- **Who does the Bible exalt throughout? _____**

Jesus said, “And the Father who sent me has Himself borne witness about me. His voice you have never heard, His form you have never seen, and you do not have His word abiding in you, for you do not believe the one whom He has sent. You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me, yet you refuse to come to me that you may have life.” John 5:37-40

“Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name.” John 20:30-31