

# Watch Your *Doctrine*

## Session 2: God Speaks Through His Word with Pastor Colin Smith

### Message Outline

1. How Scripture Came
2. What Scripture Is
  - Inspired (God-breathed)
  - Inerrant (without error)
  - Infallible (never failing)
3. What Scripture Does
  - Evangelism
  - Discipleship
  - Pastoral Care

### Discussion Questions

1. The Word of God has been attacked by the enemy from the beginning (read Genesis 3:1–7). Why is it so essential for our convictions to be set regarding God’s Word?
2. The Bible is much more than information. It is the living Word by which God brings transformation. Why is this so crucial to understand as we minister to others? (See Isaiah 55:10–11; Hebrews 4:12–13).
3. Read 2 Peter 1:19–21. How is Scripture different from all other messages in the world? Why is that a good thing?
4. Pastor Colin mentioned three wrong views of inspiration:  
Denying Inspiration (the Bible is not the Word of God)  
Locating inspiration in the reader of the Bible (the Bible becomes the Word of God)  
Limiting inspiration to certain parts of the Bible (the Bible contains the Word of God)  
  
Why is each understanding either wrong or incomplete?
5. Why is coming to God's Word with humble and submissive hearts essential for believers? (See Isaiah 66:2; James 1:21; 2 Timothy 3:16–17.)
6. How centered is your ministry (formal or informal) on the Word of God? How can you make the Bible more at the center?