



The Bible Tells Me So

The Understanding of and Use of Holy Scripture

For each of these statements about the Bible, indicate your position using the following scale:

1	2	3	4	5
Strongly Agree	Agree	Not Sure No Opinion	Disagree	Strongly Disagree

(Note: You can change your responses at any time during the discussion)

- ___ 1. God dictated the words of Scripture to the original authors who recorded them without addition or omission.
- ___ 2. God inspired the authors of Scripture in such a way as to ensure their writing, shaped by the author's individuality, nevertheless accurately recorded God's word.
- ___ 3. God used the authors of the Scripture, in their own particular historical and cultural contexts, to communicate God's word for that time and place.
- ___ 4. God has protected the translations of Scripture through the ages so that what we have in our modern Bibles is the same as God's original words.
- ___ 5. The Bible is inerrant—completely without error of any kind.
- ___ 6. The Bible may contain errors and inconsistencies, but only in trivial matters.
- ___ 7. Apparent errors in the Bible are a result of our limited understanding of God's word.
- ___ 8. The Bible is a human document. As such it is limited and is subject to errors of both fact and history.
- ___ 9. The Bible contains errors and inconsistencies, but that does not reduce its capacity to communicate truth.
- ___ 10. The Bible is a collection of interesting myths, stories, and tales—just like other historical writings—that conveys important truths to every age.
- ___ 11. Modern knowledge and experience may override biblical understandings and invalidate what the Bible says.
- ___ 12. The Bible contains everything there is to know about God.