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THE CHURCH OF THE NEW TESTAMENT – LESSON 9 MEMBERS OF THE NT CHURCH BELIEVE ALL THE BIBLE TO BE THE INSPIRED WORD OF GOD

- The Atheist Is More Consistent Than The Agnostic** The *atheist* doesn't believe in either God or the Bible. The *agnostic* is wishy-washy whether he does or doesn't. (Ps 14:1) "*The _____ hath said in his _____, There is no _____.*" This fits the *atheist*. (Rom 14:23) "*For whatsoever is _____ is sin.*" This fits the *agnostic*. Neither of them accept the plenary, verbal inspiration of the Holy Canon. The one denies it emphatically; the other says he isn't sure.
- The Bible Is Mankind's Most Trustworthy History** John says of the Word of Life: (1 Jn 1:1) "*That which was from the _____, which we have _____, which we have _____ with our eyes, which we have _____ upon, and our hands have _____.*" The great secular historians attested to the truthfulness of biblical accounts. Science and archeology confirm the Bible. Nature corroborates the Almighty. No inspired writer of the Sacred Text experienced temporal gain from his efforts, rather debasement and often persecution.
- The Bible Is Harmonious** It contains _____ books. About forty different writers who lived at different times, under varying governments, cultures, and geographical locations wrote it over about sixteen centuries. (2 Pet 1:21) "*But _____ men of God spake _____ by the Holy Ghost.*" Moses was educated by the _____ and was a _____ before God called him to lead the Exodus. Joshua was a _____ man. Ezra was a _____. Nehemiah was a _____ to the _____. Solomon was a powerful _____. Amos was a _____. Peter and John were _____. Luke was a _____. Paul was a scholar but often worked at _____-making. Matthew was a _____.
- Pure Chance?** Did the Bible itself, or all the biblically accounted happenings, occur by *pure chance*? Are the atheists, evolutionists and proponents of the "big bang" theory correct in their assumptions that there was no pre-designed master plan for our universe and natural world? (Rom 8:29) "*For whom he did _____, he also did _____.*" To *fore-know* means to have previous knowledge of; to foresee. To *predestinate* means to determine beforehand. Can it be true that God exists but the Bible is filled with erroneous accounts? _____ Why not? _____
- Purpose** (Eph 3:11) "*According to the eternal _____ which he purposed in Christ _____*" (Jer 51:29) "*For every _____ of the LORD shall be _____.*" (Eccl 3:1) "*To every thing there is a _____, and a _____ to every _____ under the heaven.*" Purpose shows intent. (Eze 12:25) "*I _____ the word, and will _____ it, _____ the Lord GOD*" Purpose denotes a plan. What is the purpose of the Bible, and more specifically, the New Testament (Jn 20:30-31)? _____