

**The gods of this World and the Bible:  
Why you can trust the Bible!**

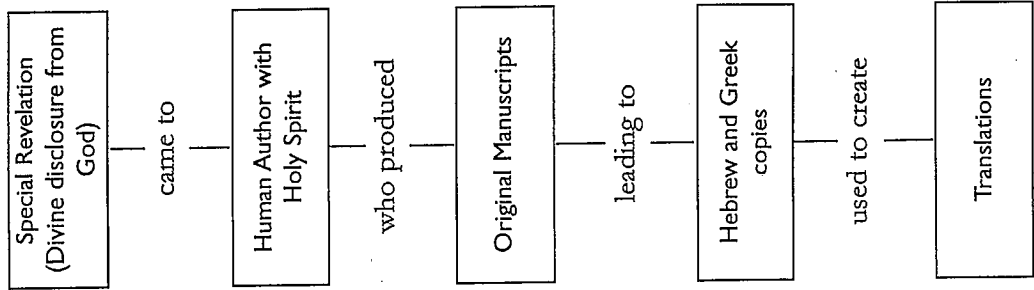
*2 Timothy 3:14-17*

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| I.   | <u>The Word Of God Is Precious</u>              | 3:14-15 |
|      | 1) You Must Continue In It.                     | 3:14    |
|      | 2) You Must Have Confidence In It.              | 3:14    |
|      | 3) You Must Be Converted By It.                 | 3:15    |
| II.  | <u>The Word Of God Is Perfect</u>               | 3:16    |
|      | 1) It Is Completely Inspired.                   |         |
|      | 2) It Is Verbally Inspired.                     |         |
|      | 3) It Is Divinely Inspired.                     |         |
| III. | <u>The Word Of God Is Profitable</u>            | 3:16    |
|      | 1) It Is Beneficial For Doctrine (Teaching).    |         |
|      | 2) It Is Beneficial For Discernment (Rebuking). |         |
|      | 3) It Is Beneficial For Direction (Correcting). |         |
|      | 4) It Is Beneficial For Discipline (Training).  |         |
| IV.  | <u>The Word Of God Is Powerful</u>              | 3:17    |
|      | 1) It Produces Maturity.                        |         |
|      | 2) It Prepares For Ministry.                    |         |

# BIBLIOLOGY

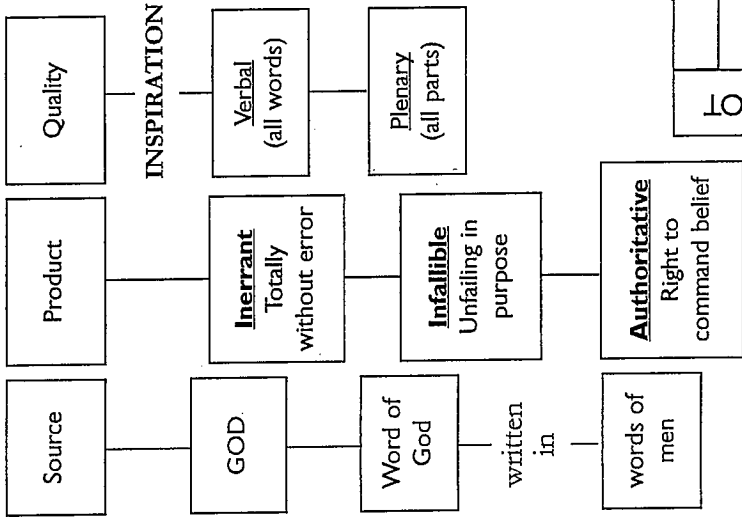
How did the Bible come to us?

## ORIGIN



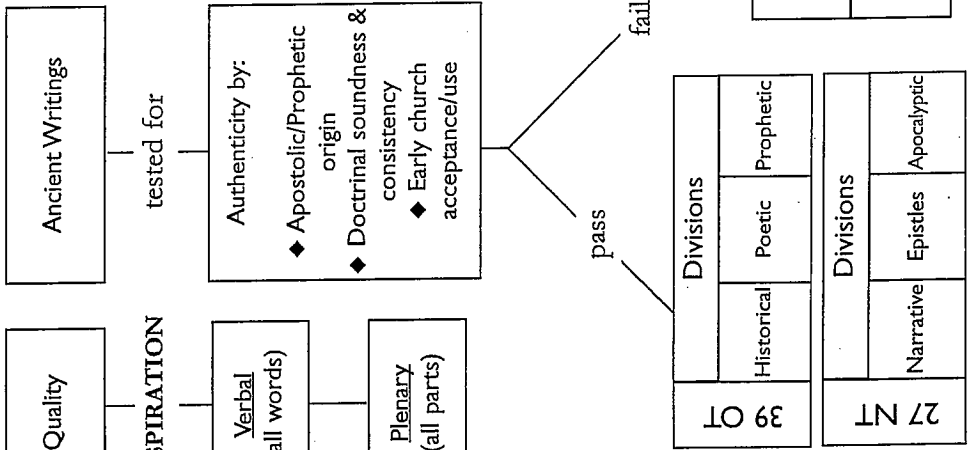
How do we know the Bible is reliable?

## INSPIRATION



How did the ancients recognize the books of the Bible?

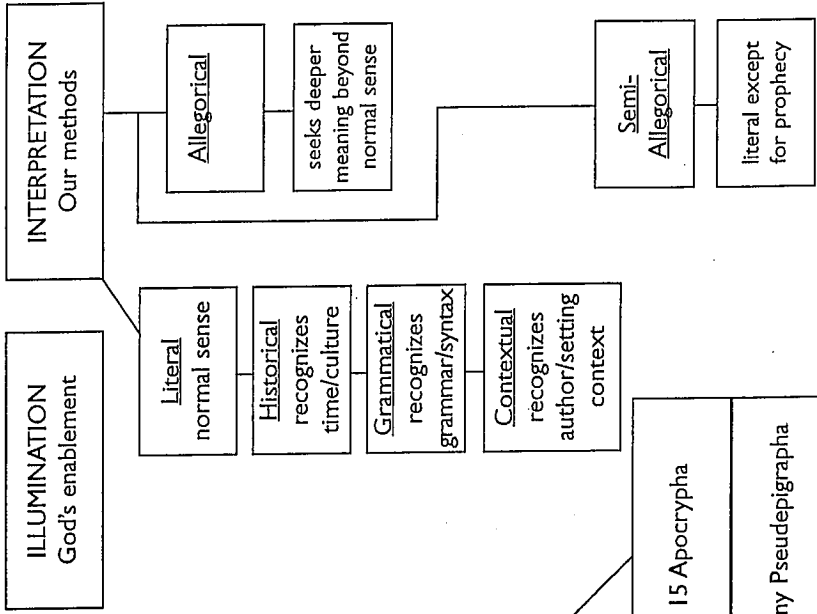
## CANONICITY



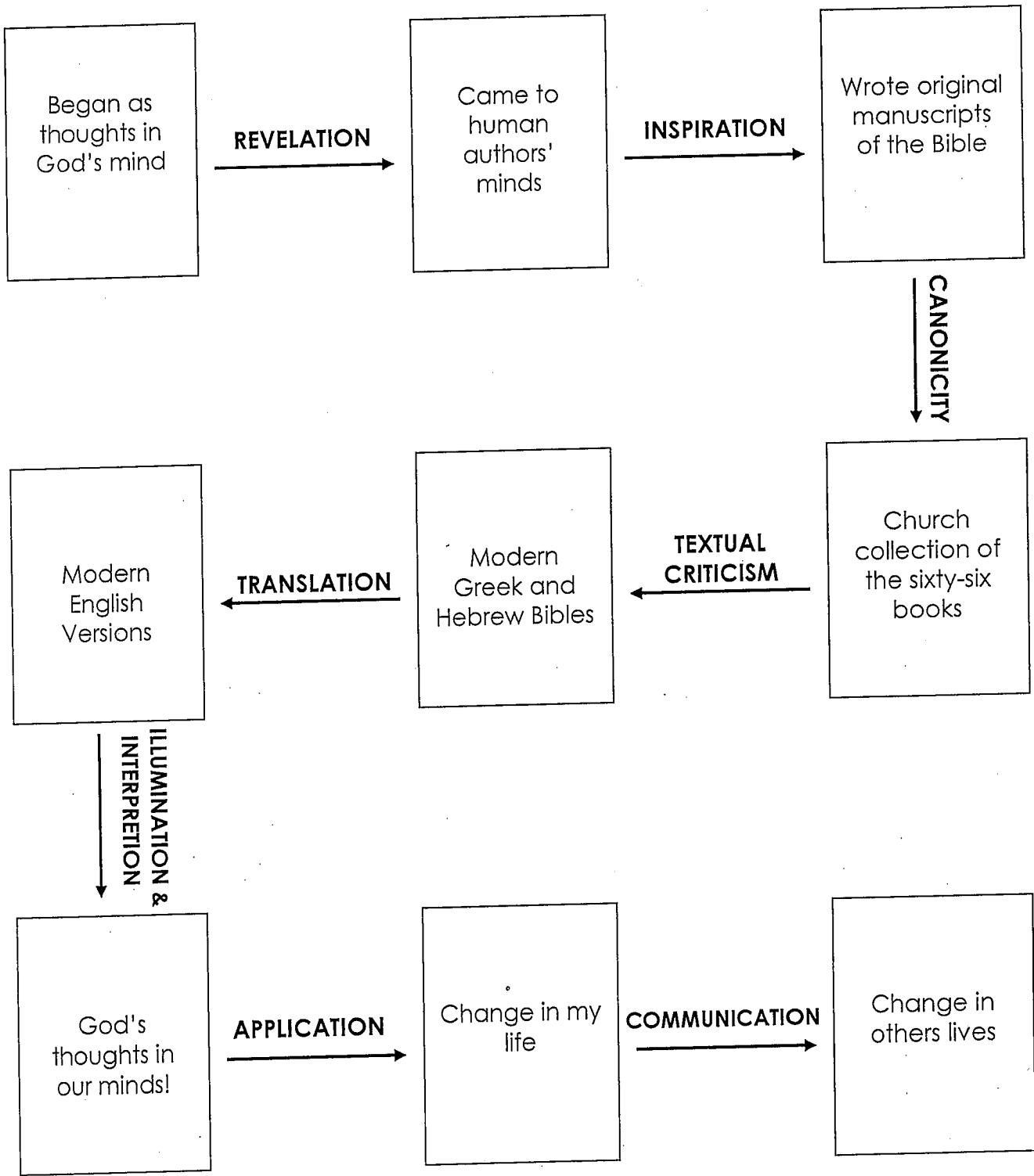
How do we interpret the Bible?

## INTERPRETATION (Hermeneutics)

### INTERDEPENDENT



# How Our Bible Came to Us



## Bibliology

### Key Word and Concept

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#### REVELATION

“The act of God by which He has made known what was otherwise unknowable.”  
*apokalupsis* – “to unveil, to uncover, to reveal”

#### GENERAL

“God’s witness to Himself through creation, history, and the conscience of man.”

#### SPECIAL

“God’s disclosure of Himself in Salvation History (revelation in a person) and in the interpretive word of Scripture (revelation in propositions).”

<b>HISTORY</b> Judges Ruth	<b>CREATION</b> Psalm 19:1-3 Romans 1:18-20	<b>CONSCIENCE</b> Romans 1:19 Romans 2:14-15	<b>WRITTEN</b> I Corinthians 2:10-13 II Peter 1:19-21	<b>LIVING</b> John 1:18 Hebrews 1:1-3
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*how*

#### INSPIRATION

“The act of God by which He superintended/guided the human authors of the 66 books of the Bible so that using their own individual personalities they composed and recorded without error, His revelation to man in the words of the original.”  
II Timothy 3:15-16; II Peter 1:16-21

*result*

#### INERRANCY

“The quality of being free from all falsehood or mistake which safeguards the truth that Holy Scripture is entirely true and trustworthy in all its assertions.”  
Matthew 5:17-18; John 10:35; 17:17

*result*

#### INFALLIBILITY

“The quality of neither misleading or being misled which safeguards the truth that Holy Scripture is a sure, safe and reliable guide in all matters.”

*responsibility*

#### INTERPRETATION

“The process of determining the biblical author’s intended meaning.”

*resource*

#### ILLUMINATION

“The work of the Holy Spirit, which assists the reader in gaining both the sense and significance of God’s written revelation.”  
John 16:12-15; I Corinthians 2:9-16

*response*

#### APPLICATION

“The process of determining the current relevance of Scripture and then actively responding.”  
James 1:19-27