

## Part 1: Understanding the Bible:

- Bible comes the Greek word "biblos" which means \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_
- Ancient Culture
  - Our culture sees the bible as a \_\_\_\_\_
  - The early church saw it as a \_\_\_\_\_
- Most Christians through the centuries never had a \_\_\_\_\_ bible
- Collection of Writings
  - \_\_\_\_\_ authors
  - Written in \_\_\_\_\_ continents
  - Nearly \_\_\_\_\_ year time span
  - Three different \_\_\_\_\_
  - Authors ranged from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_
  - Contains numerous \_\_\_\_\_
  - There is a \_\_\_\_\_ message although it deals with hundreds of controversial issues.
- Two Sections: Old and New Testament
  - Early Church: The new writings were seen as the \_\_\_\_\_
  - Attacks on Old Testament
- Scope of the writings of the New Testament
  - The end of the New Testament is with the book of Revelation with the apostle John.
  - It is around \_\_\_\_\_ A.D.
  - The New Testament was written in a \_\_\_\_\_ year time span
  - Revelation: Last book to be written (around \_\_\_\_\_ A.D.)
- Ordering of the New Testament Books
  - Gospels
    - Matthew, Mark, and Luke: \_\_\_\_\_ Gospels
    - It is about the story of \_\_\_\_\_
  - Acts: The story of the \_\_\_\_\_

- The Letters (epistles)
  - Not organized in \_\_\_\_\_ order
  - Grouped by \_\_\_\_\_
  - They are put together by \_\_\_\_\_
- Authors of the Book
  - Gospels
    - Author not specified in the book
    - Passed down \_\_\_\_\_
  - Epistles

#### Understanding Modern Translations

- Oldest NT mss: \_\_\_\_\_
  - A little over \_\_\_\_\_ (fragments)
  - The oldest material was only discovered in the late \_\_\_\_\_ and early \_\_\_\_\_
  - This deals with some of the translation controversy
- Uncial Letters
  - \_\_\_\_\_ letters
  - Roughly about \_\_\_\_\_
  - Date around the \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_
- Miniscule Letters
  - \_\_\_\_\_ letters
  - Roughly about \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_ dating and more recent
- Text Family
  - Alexandrian Family
  - Byzantine Family
- Questions:
  - Do we have the original Greek autographs? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Can we discover the original? \_\_\_\_\_



- Two Sides of Inspiration
  - God-Side
    - God had a \_\_\_\_\_ role in directing and guiding the entire process
    - God is the \_\_\_\_\_ source. It is a writing under the providential will and sovereignty of God.
  - Human-Side
    - We tend to \_\_\_\_\_ the human perspective.
    - Authors wrote and books were \_\_\_\_\_. This is not a problem unless you believe in dictation or channeling
- Jesus believes in the authority of Scripture
  - Matthew 4:4; Deuteronomy 8:3
  - Matthew 22:43; Psalm 110
  - Matthew 15:14
  - Matthew 22:31

### Part 3: Formation of the Canon

- Biblical Canon
  - In Greek, a canon is a “\_\_\_\_\_” or “\_\_\_\_\_”
- Formation of the Canon
- Organic Movement



