

Study Guide for "How We Got the Bible" #2

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Fill in the blanks using the words found on the back page.

1. This lesson is about how God's message was _____ and put together in _____ form.
2. The criteria for determining the truth or falsehood of a message that claims to be from God are called _____ of _____.
3. Complete the criteria that must be applied to every so-called word of God.
_____ by a prophet of God. _____ by an act of God.
_____ with prior revelations of God.
Having the _____ of God. Formally _____ by the people of God.
4. The _____ generation of Christians had to differentiate between genuine prophecy and _____ messages.
5. The apostle _____ told them to "test the _____." (I _____ 4:1)
6. Recalling the account in I Kings 13, how would considering the tests of inclusion have helped the young prophet who was deceived by the old prophet?

7. How did Jesus pass the test as One who brought a message from God?
His _____ harmonized with prior revelations of God.
His _____ confirmed His message.
His _____ were supported by miracles.
He gave _____ of future events.
He was raised from the _____.
_____ testified about Him.
8. The ancients had forms of quality _____ and were _____ the sacred text.

9. A master copy of the covenant between the Israelites and God was first housed in the _____ of the covenant. (Exodus 40:20)
10. The _____ had a special role as caretakers of the Word of God. Even a _____ had to have his copy approved by them. (Deuteronomy 17:18)
11. Isaiah committed his writings to his _____ for safe-keeping.
12. In the Bible, you have internal cross-_____ from book to book.
13. Daniel referred to the book of _____. (Daniel 9:2)
14. Jeremiah referenced the prophecy of _____. (Jeremiah 26:18)
15. The apostle Peter vouched for the letters of the apostle _____. (2 Peter 3:15-16)
16. The formation of God's word as a Book of books came through a process of _____ and _____.
17. This technical process was more _____ than often meets the eye.
18. What **two words** in the following list of scriptures describe what God's messengers did with God's word? (Jude 3, I Corinthians 15:3, Acts 7:53, I Thessalonians 2:13, Galatians 1:9, I Corinthians 11:2, and I Corinthians 11:23)
_____ and _____

19. List specific steps in the delivery process taken by first century Christians as they went about "publishing" God's message.

Oral instruction, _____, writing, approval and _____ of the author, sending the writing with a trusted _____, verifying the _____ to the recipients, verifying the envoy to the recipients, public _____ of the message, using spiritual _____ to certify the message, checking the signature, comparing it to previous apostolic instruction, recipients _____ the letter as _____ and authoritative.

Use these words for #19

reading
author
gifts
accepting
envoy
authentic
signature
dictation

20. Jeremiah dictated his book to _____. (Jeremiah 36:27)
21. Peter dictated I Peter to _____. (I Peter 5:12)

22. Paul dictated Romans to _____. (Romans 16:22)
23. Why did it become necessary to make copies? (Colossians 4:16) _____

24. An _____ was an original document approved and autographed by the author.
25. According to Paul in II Thessalonians 2:15, the traditions that came from the apostles by letter had just as much _____ as those that were delivered in person.
26. Why would Paul "adjure" the Christians to make sure his letter was read to all the brethren? (II Thessalonians 5:27) _____

27. Name two kinds of materials upon which holy scripture was written.
P_____ and P_____
28. Scripture copied in book form on parchment was called a _____.
29. It was always God's intention to have a _____ of _____.

Words for fill-in the blank sentences:

words	organized	book	control
first	notice	parchment	eyewitness
authority	Baruch	Micah	dead
tests	Jeremiah	life	king
ark	John	spirits	confirmed
claims	received	disciples	archetype
advanced	inclusion	delivering	written
power	safeguarding	Sylvanus	eyewitnesses
delivered	John	Tertius	receiving
Levites	papyrus	accepted	formal
Paul	harmonized	codex	deeds
counterfeit	verifications	Book	books