



SACRED SCRIPTURE: KEY VOCABULARY

Definition / Questions	Image	Term / Answer
The Christian faith is not a “religion of the book.” Christianity is the religion of the “Word” of God. Who is the WORD of God?		Jesus Christ
“Bible” means “books” as in a library. This means “the writings”. The written word of God found in the Bible.		Sacred Scripture
Holy Spirit guided the human authors of Scripture to record saving truth God wanted us to know. Scripture is God-breathed (2 Tim. 3:16-17).	Holy Spirit Human Author	Inspiration (expiration is the opposite)
There are no mistakes in Sacred Scripture because the human authors were guided by God.		Inerrancy
gift of the Holy Spirit to prevent church leaders from teaching us error about faith and morals. Perfect proclamation of the gospels.		Infallibility (this doesn't mean church leaders are sinless)
attempting to understand what God's words mean; must be guided by the Magisterium		Interpretation
The century that the councils of Hippo and Carthage collected all the books read at Mass into one fixed canon (volume).		Fourth century

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Read Luke 1:1-4. In your analysis of the passage, outline the three-step process involved in the writing of Luke's Gospel.

- 1) Events (gospel) occurred, Apostles and others were eyewitnesses.
- 2) Apostles preached the good news about those events and what they meant: Sacred Tradition.
- 3) The good news about those events and what they meant was written down by Luke under the guidance of the Holy Spirit: Sacred Scripture

Read Acts 8:26-40 and Matthew 4:1-11. In your analyses of the passages, explain how they demonstrate the need for the Magisterium in regards to the interpretation of Scripture.

(Acts 8)

1. the Ethiopian was reading a scroll of Isaiah
- 2) Philip asks if he understands it
- 3) he replies, how can I, unless someone (an Apostle) instructs me
- 4) the Apostolic teaching authority (Magisterium) must guide our interpretation of Scripture.

(Matt 4)

- 1) Even the devil can twist Scripture.
- 2) Jesus and his Church are needed to make the truth clear.