



BIBLE BASICS
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GOD'S WORD

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“The Bible is filled with contradictions!” You have probably heard someone make this claim about the Bible. What do they mean by contradictions? Most of the time, critics assume there are contradictions in the Bible because they do not understand the purpose of each individual book. Each book has its own way of telling the truth, and when we read them as God intended, we realize that what is perceived as a contradiction is “tension” that can be explained.

Memory Verses: 1 Cor. 14:33; Psa. 119:160; Heb. 6:18

Key Points

- A contradiction is when two things are in disagreement with each other and cannot be resolved.
- Literary tension occurs when two similar stories are told in different ways and focus on different details based on the narrative's needs.
- Once someone abandons the doctrine of inerrancy, they can justify any personal belief.
- God's nature is the foundation for biblical inerrancy.
- The Bible clearly claims to be inerrant and supports its claim with evidence.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. How does God's nature relate to the doctrine of biblical inerrancy?
2. What is an example of an alleged contradiction, and how can it be resolved?
3. What do we do if we discover an alleged contradiction for which we do not have an answer?

CHAIN REFERENCE

-2 Timothy 2:15

-Acts 17:11

-Proverbs 30:5-6

-Matthew 22:41-46

-John 10:35

-Galatians 3:16

-Genesis 1-2

-Matthew 20:29-34; Mark 10:46-52; Luke 18:35-43

-Matthew 28:1-15; Mark 16:1-8; Luke 24:1-12; John 20:1-23

-Luke 2:1-2

