

## Jarvis Street Baptist Church Catechism

### Question #5

How do we know that the Bible is the word of God?

#### Answer:

*The Bible evidences itself to be the Word of God by the **heavenliness** of its **doctrine**...*

Doctrine is ...

- a) teaching.
- b) a young doctor.
- c) a hospital.

If doctrine is heavenly, that means that it is ...

- a) supernatural.
- b) from God.
- c) both a) and b).

*... the **unity** of its parts ...*

If the parts of the Bible have unity, that means ...

- a) the parts agree with each other.
- b) the parts all point toward on Redeemer who will save people.
- c) both a) and b).

*... power to convert sinners and edify saints.*

To “convert sinners” means ...

- a) that sinful people are forgiven of their sins.
- b) that sinful people are changed and given new hearts and new desires.
- c) both a) and b).

*... But only the Spirit of God can make us willing to agree and submit to Bible as the Word of God.*

This statement means ...

- a) that people can believe in the Bible on their own.
- b) that people can believe in the Bible with a little bit of help from God.
- c) that people cannot believe in the Bible unless the Holy Spirit makes them willing.

#### Memorize:

For the word of God *is* living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Hebrews 4: 12