

WHAT IN THE WORD: INTRODUCTION

Making Sense of the Bible in Our Daily Lives

"Love the Lord your God with all your _____, with all your _____, with all your _____, and with all your _____." [Mark 12:30, CSB]

- Heart: "the _____ of spiritual life"¹
- Soul: "the seat of the _____ (our heart, soul etc.)"²
- Mind: " _____ "³
- Strength: " _____, force, strength, _____ "⁴

1. Is the Bible _____?

- Our presupposition: The Bible is true.
- Our approach: a " _____ " reading of the text

¹ *G2588 - kardia - Strong's Greek Lexicon (nasb95).^{*} Blue Letter Bible. Web. 12 Sep, 2024. <<https://www.blueletterbible.org/lexicon/g2588/nasb95/mgnt/0-1/>>.

² *G5590 - psychē - Strong's Greek Lexicon (nasb95).^{*} Blue Letter Bible. Web. 12 Sep, 2024. <<https://www.blueletterbible.org/lexicon/g5590/nasb95/mgnt/0-1/>>.

³ *G1271 - dianoia - Strong's Greek Lexicon (nasb20).^{*} Blue Letter Bible. Web. 15 Sep, 2024. <<https://www.blueletterbible.org/lexicon/g1271/nasb20/mgnt/0-1/>>.

⁴ *G2479 - ischys - Strong's Greek Lexicon (nasb95).^{*} Blue Letter Bible. Web. 12 Sep, 2024. <<https://www.blueletterbible.org/lexicon/g2479/nasb95/mgnt/0-1/>>.

2. Is the Bible _____?

- Our presupposition: We can trust what the Bible says, and we can trust the completeness of what it says.

3. Is the Bible _____?

- Our presupposition: If we believe that the Bible is true and trustworthy, then we believe that it is what it claims to be – the inspired Word of God. (2 Timothy 3:16)
- _____ – refers to the Holy Spirit's work in the lives of the human authors of Scripture with the result that they wrote down what God desired to communicate. Completed work.⁵
- _____ – the ongoing work of the Holy Spirit to bring believers to understand the truth of Scripture.⁶

4. Is the Bible _____?

⁵ Duvall, J. Scott, and J. Daniel Hays. *Grasping God's Word*. 3rd ed., Zondervan, 2012.

⁶ Ibid.