

## IT IS WRITTEN – DIVINE PROCLAMATIONS

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(Scriptures references are based on the NASB version of the King James Bible)

**The Bible does not defend its claims. It states them as emphatic and absolute. You either accept or reject the Bible, the Savior, and God’s Truths as found in the Bible. Either the Bible is what it claims to be or it isn’t! Christ is what He claimed to be or He isn’t! Following are excerpts from Scripture – the Bible claiming it’s authority from God.**

*“In the beginning was the Word, and the word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us. (John 1:1 & 14a).*

*“All Scripture is given by inspiration of God (God breathed), and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness” (2 Timothy 3:16).*

*“For the Word of God is living (literally alive) and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of the soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a critic (discerner) of the thoughts and intents of the heart” (Hebrews 4:12).*

*“So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God” (Romans 10:17).*

*“By faith we understand that the worlds (universe – all creation; and ages or periods of time; and space) were framed by the Word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible” (Hebrews 11:3).*

*“Now go, write it (God’s revelation) on a tablet before them and inscribe it on a scroll, that it may serve in time to come as a witness forever.” (Isaiah 30:8).*

*“The grass withers, the flower fades, but the Word of our God stands forever” (Isaiah 40:8).*

*“But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is a matter of one’s own interpretation, for (here is the reason) no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God” 2 Peter 1:20-21).*

**All Scripture originated from God! It did not come by man; we have God’s Word on it, right here in 2 Peter 1:20-21).**

*God used the following phrases to proclaim as infallible His Word throughout Scripture:*

***“GOD SPOKE ALL THESE WORDS”***

*Exodus 20:1 (regarding the “Ten Words” of the Law (Ten Commandments)).*

***“IT IS WRITTEN”***

“It is written” appears sixteen times in the Old Testament and sixty times in the New Testament. It is stated nine times in Matthew; five in Mark; eight times in Luke; three times in John; three in Acts; sixteen times in Romans; eight times in 1 Corinthians; twice in 2 Corinthians; four times in Galatians; once in Hebrews and once in 1 Peter.

***“AS IT IS WRITTEN”***

“As it is written appears fourteen times in the Old Testament and thirty times in the New Testament; fourteen in Romans.

***“JESUS SAID”***

In the New Testament “Jesus said” appears thirty-eight times in Matthew; seventeen times in Mark; seventeen times in Luke and fifty-eight times in the Book of John.

***“AS THE LORD HAS SAID”***

This statement appears five times in the Old Testament.

***“ASSUREDLY, I SAY TO YOU”***

“Assuredly, I say to you” is found seventy-five times in the four Gospels.

***“MOST ASSUREDLY, I SAY TO YOU”***

“Most assuredly, I say to you” is found only in the Book of John. It is stated twenty-five times.

***“WORD OF GOD”***

“Word of God” appears forty-seven times in Scripture.

***“WORD OF THE LORD”***

This statement appears throughout the Bible. Twice in Genesis; twice in Exodus; seven times in Numbers; twice in Deuteronomy; three times in Joshua; six times in 1 Samuel’ three in 2 Samuel; thirty-three times in 1 Kings; sixteen in 2 Kings; six times in 1 Chronicles; nine in 2 Chronicles; once in Ezra; four times in the Book of Psalms; eight times in Isaiah. In Jeremiah “The Word of the Lord appears fifty-one times and in Ezekiel it appears sixty times. It is stated only once in Daniel; twice in Hosea; once in Joel. Amos uses the term twice and Jonah three times. Micah records it twice along with Zephaniah. Haggai uses it five times and Zechariah thirteen. Malachi uses it once. “Word of the Lord is used fourteen times in the New Testament.

***“WORD OF TRUTH”***

“The Word of Truth” is found once in the Old Testament in Psalms 119:43 and four times in the New Testament in 2 Corinthians 6:7; Ephesians 1:13; 2 Timothy 2:15; and James 1:18.

***“WORDS OF GOD”***

“Words of God” appears four times in the Old Testament and twice in the New Testament.

***“WORDS OF THE LORD”***

The phrase “Words of the Lord” appears eighteen times in the Old Testament and once in the New Testament in “Acts 20:35.

***“WORD OF OUR GOD STANDS FOREVER”***

*This statement is found once in Isaiah 40:8*

***“WORDS OF ETERNAL LIFE”***

This profound statement is recorded by John in 6:68.

***“SAYS THE LORD”***

“Says the Lord” appears an astonishing eight hundred and ninety-nine times in the Old Testament and thirteen times in the New Testament.

***“THUS SAYS THE LORD”***

This familiar quotation “Thus says the Lord” is repeated four hundred and eighteen times in the Old Testament.

***“ACCORDING TO THE WORD OF THE LORD”***

“According to the Word of the Lord” is recorded thirty-three times in the Old Testament.

***“LORD SAID”***

“Lord said” appears two hundred and fifteen times in the Old Testament and nineteen times in the New Testament.

***“LORD THUNDERED”***

“Lord Thundered” is found only twice in Scripture, once in 1 Samuel and once in 2 Samuel.

***“LORD HAS SPOKEN”***

“Lord has spoken” appears twenty-eight times in the Old Testament.

***“JESUS SAID”***

“Jesus said” appears thirty-eight times in Matthew; seventeen times in Mark and Luke; fifty-eight times in John.

***“MOUTH OF GOD”***

“Mouth of God” is found once in the Old and the New Testament.

***“MOUTH OF THE LORD”***

“Mouth of the Lord” is found nine times in the Old Testament.

***“ABIDE IN MY WORD”***

“Abide in my Word” is found in the Book of John.

**These are many, but not all, of the proclamations of the Bible. They proclaim Jesus Christ as the Way to God; the Truth of God; and as the very existence of Life (eternal). Your eternal destiny hinges on the Truths in this Holy Book and the Savior who died for you. Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and you will be saved (Acts 16:31a). The choice is yours.**

*“It is written; man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God” (Matthew 4:4; Luke 4:4).*

Happy Studying!