

Foundations:
*A Primer on the Fundamentals of
Systematic Theology*

Week 4
Bibliology
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What is Bibliology?

- Biblio = “book”

- ology = “word” or knowledge

What is the “canon” of Scripture?

- The “canon” of Scripture are the books of the Bible that are considered to be inspired, inerrant, and authoritative.

How Was the Canon Determined?

- What Principles?

- Who Determined the Canon?

Defining Inspiration

- The Divine Element

- The Human Element

Defining Inerrancy

- The Bible is inspired and inerrant in the original manuscripts.

- Remember to recognize the dynamics of
 - Textual issues
 - Translation issues

Defining “Authoritative”

- The Bible is authoritative in all matters of faith, doctrine, and practice.

- * Remember the “proper interpretation principle”!

Internal Evidence for the Reliability of the Bible

- Internal Consistency

- Prophecy

- Self-Attesting

External Evidence for the Reliability of the Bible

- The Evidence of History

- The Evidence of Archaeology

**Remembering the Central
Purpose of the Bible**

John 5:39-40

You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; it is these that testify about Me; and you are unwilling to come to Me so that you may have life.
