

# Discovering the Christian Faith

Session 6. A Conversational Relationship  
**The Word of God**

## Conversation and Relationship

- God to us: The Word of God
- God to us and us to God: Prayer



## What is the Bible?

- It is the voice of God.
- God's way of communicating directly with us.
- The vehicle of the Holy Spirit.



## Who Wrote the Bible?

- One Author: The Holy Spirit.

*"Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation of things. For prophecy never had its origin in the human will, but prophets, though human, spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit."*

2 Peter 1:20-21



## Who Wrote the Bible?

- Another word we use for this is "inspired."

*"All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."*

2 Timothy 3:16



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- [The Case for Christ \(Lee Strobel\)](#)
- [The New Testament Documents: Are they reliable? \(F.F. Bruce\)](#)



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  - It is accurate about me.

*“For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.”*



Hebrews 4:12

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- It is powerful

*“For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes.”*

Romans 1:16



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*“And how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.”*

2 Timothy 3:15



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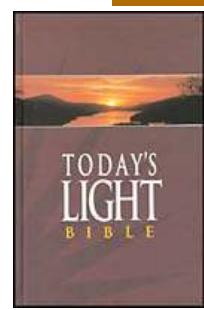
*“Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.”*

John 20:30-31



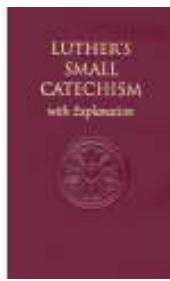
## Read the Bible!

- Start with one of the Gospels.
- Be consistent
- Listen for His voice today.



## The Small Catechism

- The Bible
- Questions 1-12
- Pages 47-53



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