

“The Bible [Should We Take the Bible Literally?]” was published on YouTube by Seventh-day Adventist Church on 7/5/21. An unnamed woman was the moderator, there was a guy named “Morgan” and the main speaker was Pastor Ty Gibson. Ty laments that fewer people believe the Bible is true when he doesn’t believe the Bible is always true.

Ty starts by discussing “verbal inspiration” which means a prophet is given the exact words to write at the dictation of the Holy Ghost. At 4:47 Ty says, “Now, Seventh-day Adventists came along, and we had this very unique thing going on. Where we had what we regarded and still regard, but going back historically, Adventists regarded the, the inspiration phenomenon, as occurring, uh, in ah modern spectacle that we could observe real time in, in the ah work and ministry of a young lady, a teenage girl, seventeen years old, her name was Ellen, ah, Harmon and ah she ah according to the people of the time was experiencing what is called inspiration or the Spirit of Prophecy.”

Ty notes that Ellen White would write things and then edit them and revise them later on and even hired some editors. He notes that this is different than verbal inspiration which is true. As Ty says, Seventh-day Adventists believe in thought inspiration in which a prophet uses their own vocabulary to express themselves. I agree that it’s thought inspiration and not verbal inspiration. Where the problem arises is that some think they have freedom to change what a writer wrote under the inspiration of the Holy Ghost. It’s also thought by some that because English bibles are just a translation, it’s OK to revise them. The King James Version (KJV) was a translation made by Protestants in Europe where having a Bible in the common tongue would bring severe penalties. Modern translations are made by translators who are members of the fallen churches and have nothing to fear in having or translating God’s Word.

At 16:02 Ty says, “don’t judge God ah, by, by the rhetoric of a human being under inspiration.” Sorry, the whole idea of inspiration is so you can judge God.

At 42:32 Ty says, “Unbelief in the Bible is on the rise.” I believe that’s true. Coming up Ty demonstrates one of the reasons unbelief in the Bible is on the rise and Ty has been infected.

At 49:58 he says, “So, so, so, lemme put it to you this way. When people say well, “Is, is, is, is, does, is the Bible true? Yes! The Bible is true to reality. It is true, it is a true dialogue between God and human beings. It is an accurate portrayal of a covenant dispute down through history. Right? Will you encounter things in the Bible that are factually untrue? Well, uh, yes you will! You know an I could rattle off examples for you. There, there are things in the Bible that for example, you know, people who believe in verbal inspiration, you know, they trip over the stuff but Adventists generally have not tripped over it because we’re, we’re saying something the Bible that it’s not. Let me give you one example that is a simple and easy example. You have, um, in Scripture, ah, you have in the New Testament that Matthew quotes Jesus, ahh, Matthew quotes and says, hey, what I’m telling you is, uh, from Zechariah. Right? But when you go back in Scripture you find that Matthew just got his Zechariah wrong. He just. But it doesn’t matter! Because the story is true. The story is true. Whether, whether he got his Zechariah, he got his, he got his Zechariahs crossed, is irrelevant to whether the story itself is an unfolding narrative that is true to reality in that is true and is inspired by God.”

Ty is saying the Bible is true when, according to him, it's not true in places and that he can "rattle off examples" of this. Why would I not have unbelief in the trueness of the Bible when a seminary trained professional paid purveyor of God's Word has said it's not always true? Not everyone is stupid enough to believe the Bible is true when it's not true. Furthermore, how would I know what in the Bible was true? Should I listen to Ty who says the Bible is true and that the Bible is not true? Should I ask a priest? Since Matthew got it wrong maybe Mark, Luke, John and Paul also got some things wrong.

"In the eighth month, in the second year of Darius, came the word of the LORD unto Zechariah the son of Berechiah, the son of Iddo the prophet, saying," Zechariah 1:1.

"That upon you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias son of Barachias, whom ye slew between the temple and the altar:" Matthew 23:35.

"That upon you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias son of Barachias, whom ye slew between the temple and the altar. Verily I say unto you, All these things shall come upon this generation.' The scribes and Pharisees who listened to Jesus knew that His words were true. They knew how the prophet Zacharias had been slain. While the words of warning from God were upon his lips, a satanic fury seized the apostate king, and at his command the prophet was put to death. His blood had imprinted itself upon the very stones of the temple court, and could not be erased; it remained to bear testimony against apostate Israel. *The Desire of Ages* page 619.

Sister White recorded details of Zechariah's death you will not find in the Bible. If you believe that Matthew, one of the "holy men of God" who spoke as he was moved by the Holy Ghost, as it says in 1 Peter 1:21, was wrong, you also have to believe the Lord's messenger got it wrong as well.

The moderator, whoever she is, says she feels like she owes Ty "tuition" because Ty has taught her so much. She now knows that not everything in the Bible is true. I stand corrected; I think she now believes the bible is true even though there are things in it that are not true. She opines that Ty's view is "such a beautiful healthy way of coming at Scripture." The Snake in the tree has taken another victim.

At 55:00 Ty says, "It's not a picking and choosing thing, so, so the thought inspiration ah view of how inspiration itself operates, um, some people that are on the more, ah, fundamentalist end of the, the spectrum, uh, that believe in verbal inspiration, if, if they hear the things we're saying they're gonna say OH! So you're saying that, aaw, it's just a free for all anybody can just take the Bible and I believe these verses and I don't believe these verses. It's a you can pick and choose; you can cherry pick what you believe. That not ih, that's not, that's not at all what I'm saying; that's not what you guys are saying."

Incredible! About five minutes ago Ty said Matthew was mistaken so apparently didn't believe Matthew and he says other things in the Bible are true. That sounds a lot like picking and choosing to me. He also wishes to believe that verbal inspiration is wrong but thought inspiration of holy men of God inspired by the Holy Ghost is sometimes wrong.

“Man is fallible, but God’s Word is infallible.” *Selected Messages Book One*
page 416.

“Infallible” means NO error at all even by Matthew.

At 57:17 Ty says he has “the high view of Scripture.” LOL.

At 1:16:51 Ty discusses Ellen White and eating meat. He says Ellen White ate venison, duck, oysters and herring. The herring were allegedly delivered to Elmshaven so that would have occurred in the latter part of her ministry. There is something else you should know. Ellen White ate pork! I can easily believe she ate venison, oyster and duck in the early part of her ministry before dietary principles were shown her in vision. I doubt she imported herring to Elmshaven for her to eat so I would have to see a credible confirming quotation for myself before I would believe that.

This is followed by a discussion of how Ellen White changed things and had editors help her in her writing. This is a ploy frequently used by those who would like you to believe you don't have to take what she said too seriously.

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