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proper understanding. If this book // is God's revelation to us, how did we get it? How did he give it to us? How did it come to be God's revelation to us? Now, when folks when I speak to you and you hear what I say, that is my communication to you, that is my revelation to you. God might have written this book in heaven, he might have taken the papers of it and dropped it down with a parachute to earth here, and we'd pick it up and say here is God's message, here is God's revelation. He could've done that, but he did not do it that way. God could have spoken with a great voice and we could here write down what he said, and get everything of his revelation that way, and all of humanity would hear the voice and write it down and there would be the Bible, God's revelation. But he did not do it that way. God could have dictated to some one individual either by a (2 1/2)

anyone in the room could have heard, or by a silent inner **o**roice that only the individual could have heard. He could have done it this way dictated the whole of the Bible and that man could have written it down, that would be God's revelation to us. But God did not do it that way. The Bible was written by many different individuals. But did not dictate it to one individual and when you examine it you find that he did not dictate it to a lot of different individuals either. And so it is a very reasonable question to ask, if this is God's revelation, if Christ accepted it as such, if the Christian church accepted it as such, if it is in its entirety true and dependable, because it is God's message to us, how did he give it to us? How did he find that none of these methods are mentioned to the Jews, and yet that we should have a book which is His revelation to us, through the Bible and true and reliable and (3 3/4)

And so we notice that as to how God gave us the Bible, we notice that parts of it were given by the direct revelation, that is the claim which the Bible makes. That parts of it were given by direct revelation. We read of the ten commandments, that the voice of God spoke at **San** Sinai, and that whe all the people heard the words

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