

having had *the events*
So, certain men ~~who have~~ had an encounter with God ~~and~~ the urge to record *it*.

And then further down he says, the second can be called dictation definition/
of inspiration as the definition which considers the Bible to be true and free
from error. So, it is utterly unfair. ~~to say~~ Inspiration has/nothing to do
with ~~the Bible~~ the Bible whatever. The word inspiration as the

Christian church has always used it means that the Holy Spirit kept the writer
of the Bible from ~~error~~ error. That is entirely different from either of these
two definitions / that MacCarthur gives. The Holy Spirit kept the Bible

from error. Now, this is *the* view, the Christian view that has been held
through the ages, *that* MacCarthur is now attacking. He goes on to try
to make out ~~the~~ dictation theory of inspiration. *that great christian leaders have never held. what he calls the dictation theory.* We do not believe that the

Bible is dictated. God could have dictated if he had chosen. What is so
terrible about dictation? I dictate ^a letter to my secretary. God could have
dictated the Bible if he had chosen. And He did dicatate the ten commandments
and ~~the other~~ *certain* portions. But we do not believe that God dictated the whole

Bible but we do believe that he kept it free from error, from every single error. And
the statement
/God is love/ is no more inspired than the statement the coat that I left in

Troas bring with you. One deals with a great truth, and ~~the other~~ *one* deals with *ages.*
a temporary situation. But both are equally free from error. Because both ~~are~~ *they are through the*
inspired. *Now this is the way the word inspiration has been used by the Christian church*
Now, this is the sort of thing that is ^{being} distributed all over our country

And now. It takes ^{is} Well, you might say, it is like a dish that has got a lot of
oatmeal in it. That oatmeal ~~is~~ *is* good. But in this oatmeal they put a little
bit of poison. Just a little bit to ~~stick~~ *stuck* into the ~~oatmeal~~ *plate*. It is not much poison,

but just enough for ~~you~~ *POISON* to do ten ~~times~~ *times* of harm. The oat-meal can
possibly do good. And he gave that the utterly false idea as to what Christians
mean by inspiration. He calls dictation theory as only one of ~~many~~ *different* possible