

There are some today, We believe in limited inerrancy; we believe the Bible is inerrant in matters dealing with religion, but it can make mistakes in other areas. The trouble is there that everything is religion in the sense that God has created and controls all that is. While it was not His purpose to tell us all about everything, anymore than it was his purpose to tell us all about religion, yet whenever he touches on any of these fields, we can be sure that carefully interpreted what we find is true; it is without error, inerrant.

So this word inerrant does not say, You have everything here you might want to know. It says, what you can reasonably take from this is true, you can depend upon it and you don't have to try to separate from it what you think is religion and what isn't. Because we are not competent to do so; it's all God's universe, He has created it all and He controls it all.

We believe the Bible is inerrant because of the Lord Jesus Christ. The attitude He took toward it is that it is inerrant. We base our attitude toward it upon the attitude He took, and that He commanded us to take and that the Apostles take toward it.

Before I deal with problems of inerrancy, I want to say a little about making sure we are clear on what we mean and that we do not extend it beyond what the doctrine really covers. We believe in the inerrancy of the original ~~MS~~ MSS. I believe that is very important. We do not believe in the inerrancy of any presently existing MSS. Now God could have had the OT and NT written on tablets of stone placed in a room ~~xxxx~~ where the temperature would always be kept exactly the same so that the little bottom of the r would not worn off and become the letter p, some change like that, would take place. It would be like the standards in Washington, D. C. kept in a room safe from all injury so that they would be absolutely accurate as the standard of ~~cccc~~ and length, etc. God could have cause His Scripture weight to be kept in that way. You'll find people that seem to think He did. I received a paper the other day in which the statement was made, If the KJV of 1611 is not the inspired Word of God, what is? Are we to believe God left His people for 1900 years without a true and inerrant Scripture? Well, if the Bible of 1611 was the inerrant Scripture, He must have left them for 1600 years without one. I was rather amazed at the logic of it.

But tho the KJV of 1611 was a marvelously accurate trans. of the Script, of the ~~MS~~ MSS that were available at that time, it is is a translation, and not a translation of the original MSS. There have errors in copying the course of time. I believe God permitted errors to come in the course of copying because He knew how ready we would be to take just one verse and try to squeeze it and squeeze it and squeeze it until we got absolutely everything that was in it and whole lot that wasn't in it. You cannot do that with human sentences. You have to compare Scripture with Scripture. That it all together.'

Mr. Harding and I were making a broadcast when Mr. Harding was having something of a debate with a follower of Jehovah's Witnesses and this man said, I do not believe in the ~~death~~ deity of Christ because He said, My Father is greater than I. deity