

Something perfectly clear to us (on the other hand) perhaps 300 yrs. ago they found great difficulty understanding because we cause to be preserved that which is like the rain that comes down from the heavens and accomplishes the purpose that He intends for it. Therefore I believe that a sane and true understanding of inerrancy will make us realize that there is more and more that we need to get from God's Word. We need to study it and compare Scripture with Scripture and see what it has for us and not try to build on one word or one sentence. But comparing Scripture with Scripture.

And if we don't understand ~~it~~ a section-- now there's six chapters of genealogy in 1 Chronicles. I heard a man say once, What's that got to do with us? Why was that ever preserved? Well, it may not have anything to do with us today, but maybe it had a great deal to do with people 500 years after it was written. Maybe it will yet have a great deal to do with people sometime in the future. We don't know. But we believe that every word of it has blessing for some of God's people, and you can't tell what blessing God ~~is~~ may have for you in it.

So my plea is don't get a false idea of inerrancy, and think these are magical words or that you can squeeze the words and get out of them what human words can't necessarily preserve. But that you compare Scripture with Scripture and as you do, I believe God will guide you into more and more truth. Let us pray.

Our Father, we thank you that your word is dependable, that it is inerrant. that it will bring forth the fruit that you intend it should bring forth. We pray that each of us may feed on your word. Not upon the ideas of human beings. Not upon the thoughts that people have had, that people have developed through the ages but upon the words that you gave your apostles and your prophets to bring us the truth that we need. In these days when darkness grows more and more about us, we pray that you will help us each one to be a light house from which your truth will go forth to a world that needs it so badly. We pray in Jesus' Name. Amen.