

Always Believe Your Instruments

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I can still remember my flight instructor telling me to "believe your instruments." Always. Oh, for sure when the weather is beautiful, you can look out the window. But when you can't look out, well, that's right, "trust your instruments." That is the reason you have them; **it takes the guesswork out of things.**

As we live the Christian life, we need to believe the Words of God at all times. Are there some things hard to understand? Of course. Are there some things that you think could be or should be worded differently? Of course.

I think it is a natural thing with:

66 Books, 1189 Chapters, 31,173, Verses, and 807,361 Words.

But the fact remains, God has given us all that is needed and in terms that He knew we could understand.

Note with me the two verses below. The first verse makes it clear that God has given us everything, and the second that some will turn away from the teachings of God.

2 Peter 2:2-3, "Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord; seeing that His divine power has granted to us **everything pertaining to life and godliness**, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence."

2 Timothy 4:3, "For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but wanting to have their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers in accordance to their own desires, and will turn away their ears from the truth and will turn aside to myths."

Do we need to study? Of course. Are there some things that are hard to understand? Of course. But here is some **good news** we are told by inspiration through the words of Paul in **Eph. 3:3-4**, "That by revelation there was made known to me the mystery, as I wrote before in brief. By referring to this, when you **read, you can understand** my insight into the mystery of Christ."

As we consider the Word of God, note further with me, the words of Paul to the church at Corinth. **1 Cor. 14:37-38**, "If anyone thinks he is a prophet or spiritual, let him recognize that the things which **I write to you are the Lord's commandment**. But if anyone does not recognize this, he is not recognized." Make no mistake; we need to hold fast to His teaching.

So the point is this. Just like flying, you must trust your instruments, or you will find yourself in danger and put others in danger. The same is true of God's word. We must believe His words, as recorded in the Bible. If not, we will find ourselves in great danger. That is a danger not only in this life but the next.

While over the centuries, the Bible has been under attack, by many individuals and groups, but when **the truth** was fully known, the Bible has always been proven to be correct, right and true.

As in believing your instruments, believe THE BOOK.