

find this wonderful unity in it, you know that there was a blue-print - there was a plan - there was one mind active in the entire Book.

Another internal evidence of the divine authorship is found in the unique moral teachings of the book. Other nations have books that present moral standards with many excellent features. None, however, can be compared with those of the Bible. In every ethical system that has not been directly affected by the teachings of the Bible, there is a callousness and a disregard of human sympathy that differs greatly from the divine compassion of this Book. Moreover each of them has its points of degeneracy. Thus the morality of one nation may encourage abstention from alcohol, but permits a low standard of family life. Another urges a high standard of family life, but permits the telling of untruth. All the various systems of ethics have their weak points; in the Bible alone do we find a perfect system of morality.

Another striking evidence of the Word of God is its remarkable objectivity. It pictures men and nations as they are. The good points of wicked men are not passed over. The evil deeds of good men are not hidden. Other nations write about their heroes and represent them as just about perfect. They write about the people they don't like and see nothing but villainy in them. In the Bible the good points of the worst men are described, and the best characters have their faults clearly outlined. David was a man after God's own heart - a man whom God greatly blessed - and yet David's terrible sins are clearly and plainly expressed. Israel was the nation that God selected as His instrument, through which to give His revelation and to bring His Son into the world; yet the account of Israel in the Bible hides nothing of the apostasy and sin which made it necessary for God to bring sweeping punishment