

sense, in the Theological sense. We might take an illustration from a case where I have a message which I want to pass on to someone. I don't think carefully just how I'm going to express myself. I see him and I express the idea to him, or I stand before an audience and I present them a fairly simple matter. If ~~then~~ I see looks of uncertainty on people's faces I proceed to explain it again to try to clarify my words, to try to get the thought across. If I find that my words aren't exactly precise I try to make them more~~d~~ so. I do not have to get precise details. They won't remember them anyway. I want to get the general - The vital thing is to get the general idea across and making an efemial ^{? 7½} communication.

Now the time comes when I want to write a letter to someone about a very important matter. I don't just sit down and dash it off. I stop. I think. I meditate. I figure how I can get my thought so clearly expressed that it will not be misunderstood. I've known people to say something and someone else hears and understands the exact opposite because they put a different tone of voice into it. In writing a letter or an article it is good to read it over with as little tone as possible in order to avoid imagining a tone which the words will not convey. It is good to read it with various tones to see whether it can be easily misunderstood. It is good to look at the different words and think of the various ways in which they could be understood in order that we will not convey an erroneous idea. When this is not done very wrong impressions have sometimes been given in cold print. If we want to explain to someone how to do something and he is going to go right and do it, we simply say it in any sort of words and if he doesn't understand it he comes back and asks us. But when we lay down rules which are to be followed for years to come by people who have no opportunity to come and ask us, we must weigh our words very carefully. This I think illustrates in a crude way the difference between ordinary revelation and inspiration. Revelation deals with the communication of ideas. Inspiration deals with the putting the ideas in such a form that people at a distance - that it will be possible for people over a period of time at a distance to still interpret them correctly and not be misled by them. Inspiration refers to the keeping from error of that which has been communicated. Revelation then is a matter of ideas. It deals with ~~what is~~ the ideas which it is attempted to pass from one mind to