

better. Our knowledge of other things helps us to understand better what the word means. We study its statements in relation to other events in order to see the clear evidences that God has placed there of the fact that it is true, and free from error, evidence from our own observation of life is helpful in showing the dependability of the Bible. Of course there is always the possibility that a person may find, may think that he finds that the Biblical statements are so contrary to the events, to his observations of life that ~~the~~ it proves that the Bible is not a revelation from God. If a man really finds this--of course, ~~the~~ the possibility must be recognized that a person might feel that his own observations and experience were such as to prove that the Bible could not possibly be true. If such is his conclusion there is no middle ground. The Bible either is God's Word or it is not. To say the Bible is God's Word ~~that~~ but that we cannot depend on its statements is double talk, and meaningless. It either is His Word or not, it is either true or it is not true. The answer is not to try to put out observation in one portion of life and the Bible in another portion of life. Or to say that the Bible does not give propositional truth, but some other kind of truth whatever that may be. The answer is to examine more carefully the relation between what our actual observation of life is and what the Bible actually says. If the Bible is truly God's Word it need not fear any such examination if honestly made. If it is made honestly and fully enough, and carefully enough, to reach dependable conclusions, we can be sure that the conclusions reached will be...