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the whole Bible is a revelation to us. but only part of it was given by revelation of God to the writers, but all of it was inspired and all is a revelation to us. Yes? (Student) Well as a rule that which He gave to the writer is indicated. Usually, He says, "The Lord saith," or "The Lord caused me to see," or "the Lord gave me this vision." Usually, it's

Of course, the whole life of Christ is a revelation to us. God spoke through His Son, and everything that Christ did and said was in itself a revelation of God

. Now we---yes, Mr.---? Yes. Oh, yes, if the prophet is giving us the revelation from God he knows that what he is giving God has given him and he is just passing it on. He knows it is not his idea but God's idea he's passing on. (Student) Well, I would think that he would understand most of the import, but I mean there might be in it something beyond what he understood. He might know that in the words there were meanings beyond what

was fully clear to him; he might know that in a vision there were implications which he didn't fully understand. (Student) Yes. When you get into the psalms sometimes it is a little hard to be absolutely sure just how much of them the writer knew was God's revealing through and how much might be the Holy Spir it leading the man in writing a psalm of praise in such a way that it would convey a definite meaning from God to us beyond what was familiar to the writer. There are cases where it's quite definite one way or the other but there might be instances where it would be rather difficult for us to be certain of it.

That is, in such a case there might be a real true inspiration, inspiration of the writer might lead to revelation from God. (Student) In that particular case, no, but in most instances, I think in all of the prophetic books we would

Mr.---? (Student) Through Moses. The only question would be, "Did he always mean that God gave exactly these words, or is he in some cases putting into words that which he had seen in a vision ?" That would be the only

possibility, but in either case it's a message which he has gotten from God and he is passing on. It's not his opinion. (Student) Yes. He was recording

facts which he had seen in but recording it in that which was to be part of the divine Word, that which was to be part of the Holy Scripture. (Student) I would think