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In the ancient times God spoke directly to the ~~poet~~ prophets and to the writers of the Bible. Now that the Bible is complete, it is our <sup>only</sup> source of gaining knowledge <sup>truth</sup> from God. ~~We we~~ <sup>What we</sup> learn from the Bible is absolutely certain, because when we gain knowl~~ed~~ge from it, we are following Him who is Himself the Truth, the only One who can never err.

However, when we begin to go~~e~~ to the Bible for information, we immediately find ourselves face to face with two difficulties: the first of these is that the Bible does not give us a complete presentation of truth; the second is that the Bible ~~leads~~ needs interpretation.

Let us look at each of these for a moment. ~~I hear that~~ <sup>from</sup> many ~~mystic~~ Christian people err through their failu~~r~~e to recognize that the Bible as a source of complete truth absolutely infallible is not absolutely complete. It is brought out clearly in the last verse of the 20th chapter of the Gospel of John where we are told that if everything that Jesus did were written down, ~~perhaps~~, perhaps it might take all the books in the world to contain ~~th-~~  
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all that ~~have~~ to be written. The four gospels tell us the story, give us the accounts ~~of the~~ <sup>a</sup> of the life of Jesus on earth. Yet there are ~~great~~ many things that we are not told about him. Actually the g~~os~~els can be in a way ~~can~~ can be truly called the portrait of Christ, rather than ~~life~~ <sup>lives</sup> of Christ, since they are so different ~~to~~ from the life that one of us would write today. They do not tell us ~~that~~ the day of the week or the day of the ~~month~~ month in which he was walking, or they do not describe the events of his only one of the events of his childhood is described. As there were many years in his life from which, from events of ~~which~~ which no single ~~of~~ <sup>of</sup> world has been preserved to us.