

EGW the Bible and Me

MAKING THE INTRODUCTIONS
AND WHY DO I NEED ELLEN
WHITE'S WRITINGS?

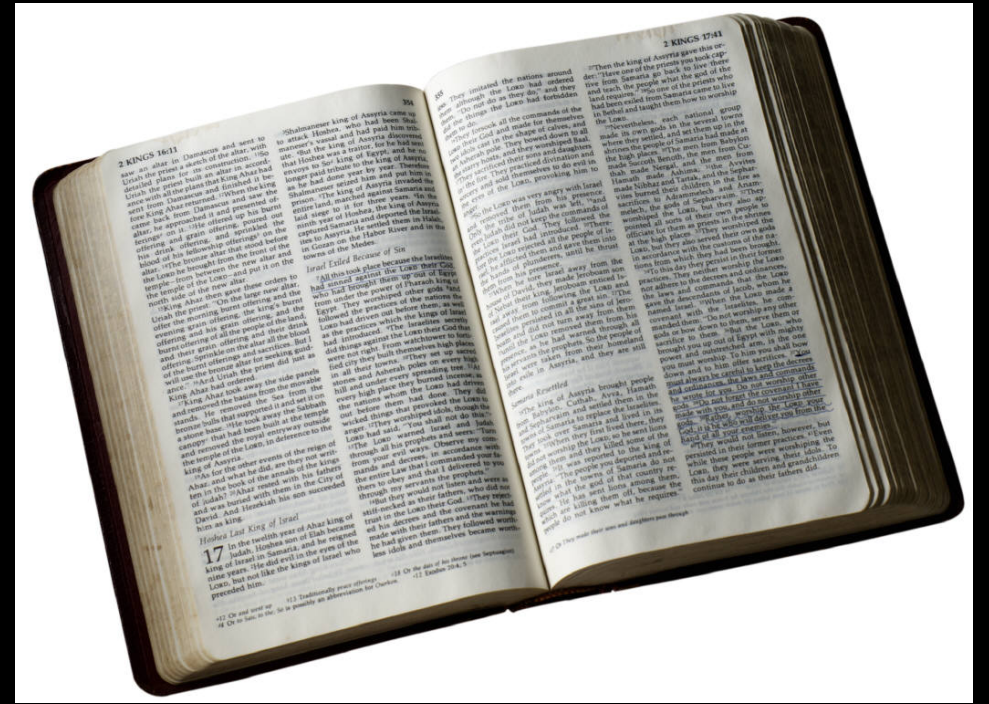
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WARM UPS...

- Which doctrine did Ellen White's writings bring to Adventism?
- Why do I need Ellen White's writings if I have the Bible?

ELLEN WHITE AND THE BIBLE?





YOUR TURN.....

- What does inspiration mean?
- What does it mean to be inspired?



HOW DOES INSPIRATION WORK?

Verbal *versus* Thought

- Received in **visual** or **verbal** form – wrote in their own words
- Interviewed, collected material – wrote in **own words** or quoted other sources
- All done under the supervision of the **HOLY SPIRIT**

ELLEN WHITE AND THE BIBLE

- “Sola Scriptura” stands for the primacy of the Bible, but does **not exclude** other authority.
- Ellen White is below the Bible because:
- She is **tested** by the Bible.
- She **points** to the Bible.
- Ellen White’s message is as **authoritative** as the Bible’s, because the **Author** is God in both cases.



YOUR TURN.....

What dangers can you see
in a belief in Verbal
Inspiration?

INTRODUCING ELLEN WHITE

- You are the introduction!
- Positively role model advice
- Tell human interest stories
- Share your experience
- Don't use her in a Bible study
- Share a favorite quote
- Tell of her struggles and victories
- Give a book

INTRODUCING ELLEN WHITE USING BOOKS (II)

- Use easy-to-read books



INTRODUCING ELLEN WHITE USING BOOKS (III)

- Use paraphrases
- Use abridged versions
- Use *Steps to Christ* or *Steps to Jesus*
- Use the Conflict Series

SOME INSIDE DON'TS

- *Don't* use Ellen White as a weapon!
- *Don't* use Ellen White to end a discussion!
- *Don't* use her to try to control others!
- *Don't* use her as the entrance to an exclusive club!

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