REVELATION

God's direct divine influence communicated truth to the minds of biblical writers.

The System of Divine Didactics

INSPIRATION

Direct divine influence insured their accurate transfer of truth into written languages.

INTERPRETATION

Pastors, guided by the Holy Spirit, discern through hermeneutics the meaning of Scripture.

COMMUNICATION

Verbal conveyance of biblical doctrines to their assigned congregations.

ANIMATION

Believers, enabled by the Holy Spirit, apply resident doctrines to life and circumstances.

ILLUMINATION

Believers, guided by the Holy Spirit, are enabled to understand and retain Bible doctrines.

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