LESSON 9 | MONDAY

Harmony With the Bible

QUESTION SCRIPTURE WORD STUDY KEY POINT

LESSON FOCUS: Every prophetic claim must be tested by the written Word because God's truth is consistent and does not contradict itself.

I. God's Word Is Reliable

Numbers 23:19, KJV

19 God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?

II. God Does Not Lie

- God does not lie.
- Human beings can fail; God remains faithful.

"lie" = kāzaḇ (בָּזַב) - pronounced kaw-zab - to lie / deceive; to be in vain; to fail.

Human testimony is fallible; God's Word is completely reliable.

III. Every Prophet Must Be Tested

- A claim that contradicts God's Word cannot carry divine authority.

Isaiah 8:20, KJV

20 To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them.

"light" = shachar (שַׁחַר) (Hebrew) - dawn / daybreak.

Dawn pictures new light breaking into darkness.

KEY POINT: The prophet is tested by the Word; the Word is not tested by the prophet.

- The prophet stands on the Word; the Word does not stand on the prophet.

God's Word remains the unchanging foundation.

IV. Scripture Guards Against Deception

- We must know our Word lest we be deceived and falsely believe.
- We must know our Word lest we be deceived and falsely preach.
- Any prophet must direct us to the Word for the same reasons

V. Prophecy Comes Through the Holy Spirit

2 Peter 1:20-21, KJV

20 Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.

21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

- This entire discussion shows how loving God is
- God invites believers to examine prophetic claims against Scripture.
- Faith does not require surrendering careful thought or biblical discernment.

- We may determine for ourselves.
- This test remains necessary even when signs and wonders are present.