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## Question 60 - How did Jesus view the writings of the New Testament?

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## 101 MOST ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT THE BIBLE

### 60. How did Jesus view the writings of the New Testament?

#### A. Regarding the Gospels:

*“Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away” (Mt. 24:35).*

*“Jesus answered them, and said, My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me . . . Then said Jesus unto them, When ye have lifted up the Son of man, then shall ye know that I am he, and that I do nothing of myself; but as my Father hath taught me, I speak these things . . . For I have not spoken of myself; but the Father which sent me, he gave me a commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak . . . For I have given unto them the words which thou gavest me; and they have received them, and have known surely that I came out from thee, and they have believed that thou didst send me. . . I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world” (Jn. 7:16; 8:28; 12:49; 17:8, 14).*

Inasmuch as most of the gospel accounts are simply a written record of Jesus’ spoken word, it must be concluded He looked upon these four accounts as inspired and inerrant.

#### B. Regarding the remaining New Testament books:

*“But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you. . . Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come” (Jn. 14:26; 16:13).*

*“And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not; I am the first and the last: I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death. Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall be hereafter” (Rev. 1:17-19).*

Jesus may have had in mind the completion of the New Testament books by His reference to the teaching and guiding ministry of the Holy Spirit. It should be remembered that the twelve to whom He spoke these words included Matthew, John and Peter who would later author eight of the 27 New Testament books.

(Matthew, John, 1, 2, 3 John, Revelation, 1 and 2 Peter)