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been tested no less by the absurdities of foolish advocates ; every document and fact has been scrutinised, and yet its history and its doctrines have been established even by those opposing them. Nor does the authority of Scripture depend upon what human learning and industry have accomplished. As we distinguish the products of human art from the works of God in which his eternal power and Godhead are manifest, so the word of God bears proofs that it is His, in marked distinction from every utterance of human thought. It is impossible to suppose that man invented the ideas of God glorious in His holiness, of a Law which flashes condemnation on his sin, and of a Gospel which lays his pride in the dust. Yet the Gospel as revealed by God gives glory to God in the highest, while it saves men to the uttermost. It comes with its own evidence in perfect adaptation to the wants of man, like light in its perfect adaptation to the eye. What then do the Scriptures claim to be? What do they demand of us? What do they teach regarding inspiration? "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God." "I certify you, brethren," says the Apostle Paul, "that the Gospel which was preached of me is not after man, for I neither received it of man neither was I taught it but by revelation of Jesus Christ." We take our stand on the broad and unqualified declaration that the Bible, as originally given, is the word of God, divine and therefore authoritative and infallible. Faith viewed as compliance with divine authority—the obedience of faith, can only rest on this, that the word believed is God's, and faith receives it, and rests on it, just because it is God's word. Theology thus finds its data in the expressed will of God. The whole fabric of creeds and doctrines rests on this truth. It gives authority to our preaching, and is the only true ground of assurance to believers. The Bible is no development of human sentiment, no series of flashes of the intuitions, but a revelation of God delivered to us through the instrumentality of its inspired writers, and invested with the attributes of its divine Author—unity, perfection and immutability.

2. The truths of the Bible are one in that organic and structural unity which pervades it as a completed whole. There is a unity of design, a completeness of structure in the Scriptures,