



**Harvest Bible Chapel
Small Group Questions
November 22, 2009**

Inerrancy – Why we believe the Bible.
2Peter 1:16-21

1. If you had been a candidate in the 2008 republican debate, knowing you needed the votes of those watching to become the most influential person in the world, how would you have answered the question: “Do you believe every word of this book?”
2. Why do you believe the Bible? Why is it not sufficient to answer the question by saying, “I was raised that way.” or “I tried it and it worked for me.”?
3. Inerrancy is defined as the belief that the Bible is completely true in all that it says without any mixture of error. This does not mean that there are not difficult portions of the Bible that to understand and believe. What are the most difficult portions for you?
4. Make a list of your favorite miracles reported in the Bible. Turn in your Bible and read a few of them. (Creation, Virgin Birth, Healings, Walking on water, Resurrection, etc.)
Answer the following questions.
 - a. What laws of nature did God override?
 - b. What theological doctrines flow from them?
 - c. What do they teach us about God?
 - d. What do they teach us about man?
 - e. Do you believe that the Bible reports these events without error?
 - f. Why must the accuracy of these historical event and the doctrines they affirm stand or fall together?
5. Read 2Peter 1:16-21. Discuss the following statement about the inerrancy of the Bible:
 - The Bible is a collection of historically reliable documents
 - Written by eyewitness
 - Reporting supernatural events
 - Fulfilling specific prophecy
 - Verifying its divine origin
 - Illuminating the dark places of my heart.
 - How has God’s word illuminated the dark places of your heart?
6. Read 1John 1:1-3 & 1 Cor. 15:3. What is the importance of eyewitness testimony when trying to verify events?
7. Read Luke 1:1-3. What confidence can we find in the history of Luke’s writings?
8. How are the prophecies of Psalm 22 fulfilled in Matthew 27?
9. According to John 3:18-21, what is the underlying reason people do not believe God’s Word?
10. Memorize Isaiah 40:8. Review 2Timothy 3:16.