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Matthew 5:18

Separate Issues

- We believe in the perfect will of God revealed in scripture (2 Tim. 3:16).
- But the book in your hand is not what inspired writers wrote.
- We are in no different boat here than Jesus and His followers were (Matt. 5:18).
- But this is a separate question from the initial step of inspiration.

The Inspired Words

- Whatever inspiration means, it applies to all scripture (2 Tim. 3:16).
- Even the sections that include personal address cannot be excluded (2 Tim. 4:13).
- The authors were understanding participants (Eph. 3:4).
- There is no room for error introduced by personal interpretation (2 Pet. 1:17).
- The inspiration does go down to the word level in some way (Matt. 5:18; 22:32).

The Consequences

- It elevates the importance of every word.
- We take the narrators as divinely accurate.
- There is no room for developing theology.
- We not only accept but rejoice in every word revealed.