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Could Paul also thank God for us here today?

How deep are our convictions?

Can we say with no hesitancy: we have no doubt

Every word in Scripture is absolute truth!

Are we Confidant about:

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| Adam & Eve in the beginning | <u>Mt. 19:4-6</u> |
| Noah & the Ark | <u>Lk. 17:26-27</u> |
| Lot & destruction of Sodom | <u>Lk. 17:28-29</u> |
| Lot's wife a pillar of salt | <u>Lk. 17:32</u> |
| Balaam's talking donkey | <u>2Pet. 2:15-16</u> |
| Jonah in fish 3 days & nights | <u>Mt. 12:38-39</u> |
| Eve and the Serpent | <u>2Cor. 11:3</u> |

*If we reject them in the OT, we run aground
in the New. If Moses and OT writers were
wrong so was Jesus! Paul! Peter!*

All or Nothing

Our God will not allow us to parcel up Scripture.

All Scripture given by inspiration 2Tim 3:16-17

Either Genesis to Revelation is all inspired of God or none of it is.

If Moses was wrong in any part of Genesis or the Law, then ALL his writings must be rejected:

when a prophet speaks in the name of the Lord, if the thing does not happen or come to pass, that is the thing which the Lord has not spoken; the prophet has spoken it presumptuously; you shall not be afraid of him. Deut 18:22

God wants us to fully understand the nature of inspiration.

He explained it carefully and precisely.

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God explained the exact
details and process by
which His thoughts were
God breathed into
Scripture in 1Cor 2:9-14

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The Things of a Man (How We Think)

No one knows our things/thoughts except our own spirit which is within us.

1. We think out an idea (concept)
2. We put that idea into words
3. We convey that idea to others
4. We expect that idea to be done exactly as we planned so we make it clear to:
5. Architect; Creator; Manufacturer; etc.

The Things of God

(How God Thinks)

No one knows God's things/thoughts except the **Holy Spirit** so:

1. God planned out ideas (concepts)
2. The **Spirit** put those ideas into words
3. **Spirit** conveyed it directly into their mind
4. God expected it to be done exactly as He planned.

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God's Mind
Things



- *Eye has not seen, nor ear heard,*
- *Nor have entered into the heart of man*
- *The things which God has prepared for those who love Him.*
- Kept silence thru times eternal Rom 16:25
- *No one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God*

Inspiration 1 Cor 2:10-12

God's Mind
Things

- *Unto us God revealed them*
- *Through the SPIRIT*
- *The SPIRIT searches all things*
- *The deep things of God.*
- *We received the SPIRIT from God*
- *We know the things freely given to us by God.*

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Old Testament

knowing this first, that no prophecy of scripture is of private interpretation. 21 For no prophecy ever came by the will of man: but men spoke from God, being moved by the Holy Spirit. 2 Pet 1:20-21

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Apostles and prophets
Eph 3:5

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1 Pet 1:10-11

2 Pet 1:20-21

New Testament

Jn 14:26; 16:12-13

Mt 10:19-20

Gal 1:11-12

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But the Comforter, (even) the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said unto you. John 14:26

I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. 13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he shall guide you into all the truth: for he shall not speak from himself; but what things soever he shall hear, (these) shall he speak: and he shall declare unto you the things that are to come. Jn 16:12-13

But when they deliver you up, be not anxious how or what ye shall speak: for it shall be given you in that hour what ye shall speak. 20 for it is not you that speak, but the Spirit of your Father that speaks in you. Mt 10:19-20

For I make known to you, brethren, as touching the gospel which was preached by me, that it is not after man. 12For neither did I receive it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came to me through revelation of Jesus Christ. Gal 1:11-12

which in other ages was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to His holy apostles and prophets: Eph 3:5-6

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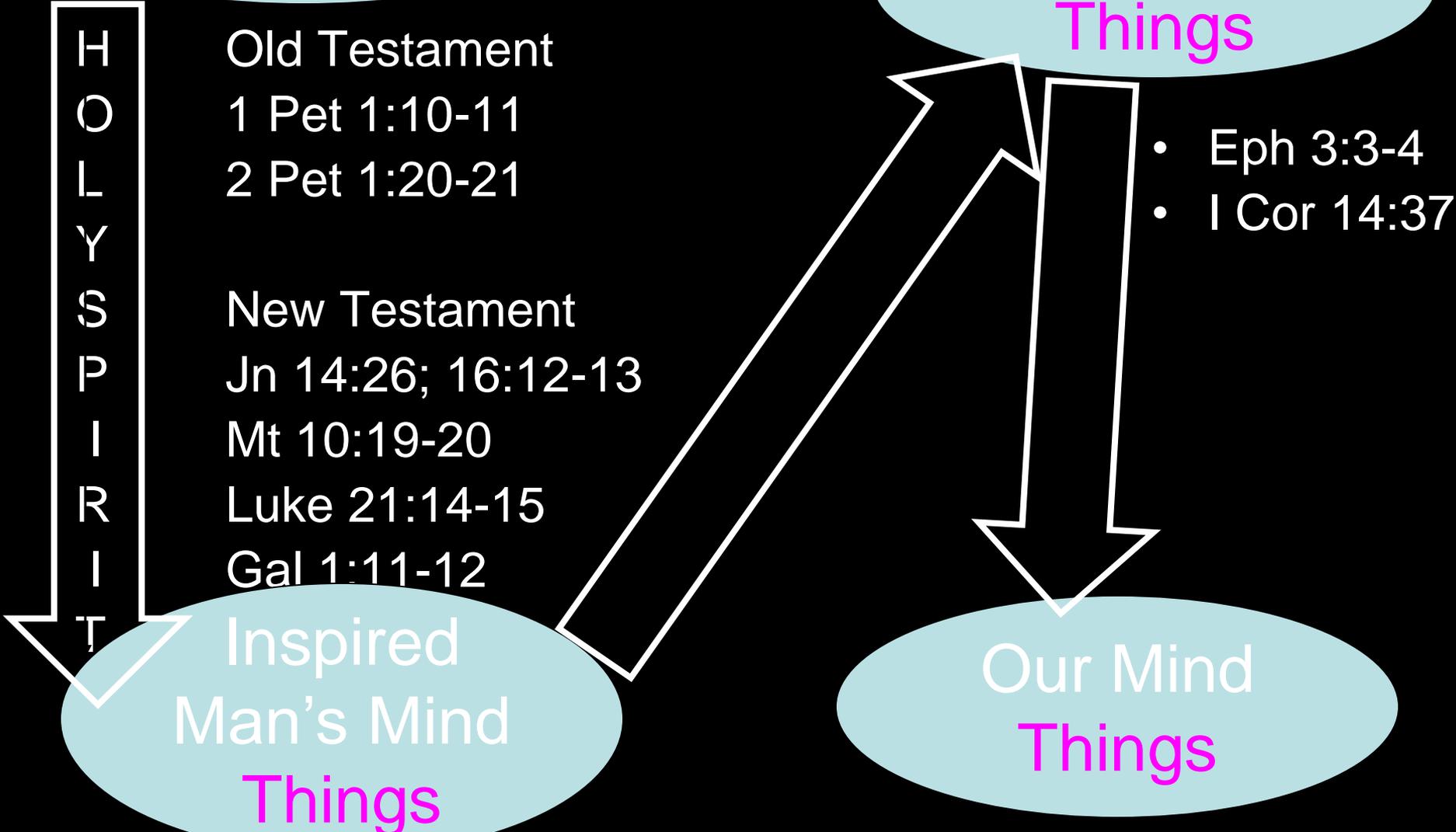
Luke 21:14-15

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- Eph 3:3-4
- I Cor 14:37

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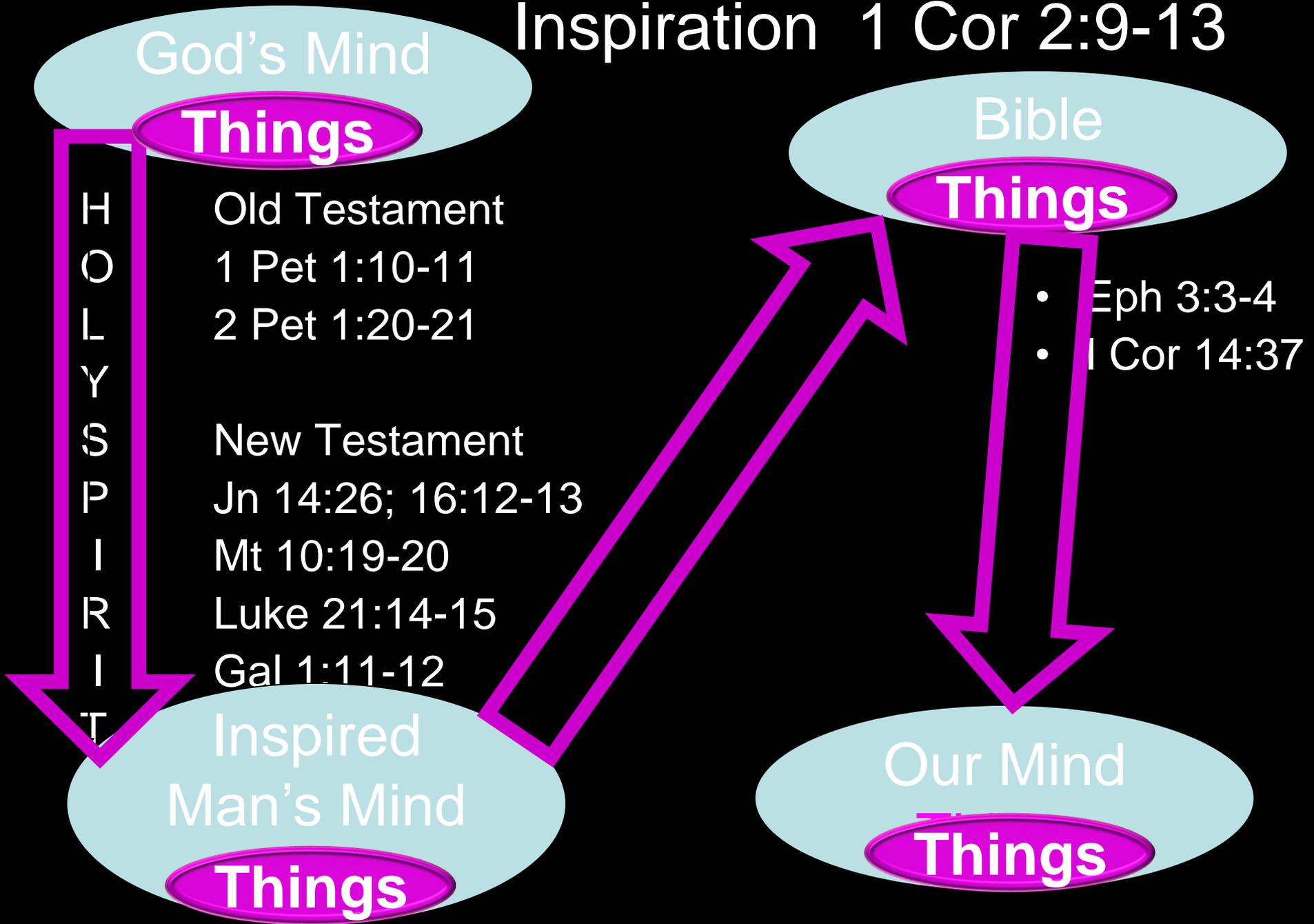
Our Mind
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how that by revelation was made known unto me the mystery, as I wrote before in few words, 4 whereby, when you read, you can perceive my understanding in the mystery of Christ; Eph 3:3-4

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