

Special Revelation

Definition

“a supernatural communication from God that has been given to humanity”

– Don Stewart

Types of Special Revelation

The Word

Holy Spirit

“Particular” revelations

The Word

Two forms

The living Word – Jesus Christ

John 1:1-4

The written Word

2 Timothy 3:16-17

Holy Spirit

Needed for teaching and understanding

John 13:25-26

1 Corinthians 2:14-16

“Particular” revelations

Appearances of heavenly beings

Dreams/Visions

Miracles

“Particular” revelation - Appearances

Angels

Matthew 1:20

The LORD

Genesis 18:1

“Particular” revelation – Dreams/Visions

Dream

1 Kings 3:5-15

Vision

Acts 16:9-10

“Particular” revelation – Miracles

Definition: an event not explicable by natural or scientific laws.

Raising Lazarus from the dead

John 11:38-43

Functions of Special Revelation

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To show God's glory

To provide a means to salvation