Puzzled by the Bible Lesson 1 Handout

Corinthians 3:18–19 (NIV84)

18 Do not deceive yourselves. If any one of you thinks he is wise by the standards of this age, he should become a “fool” so that he may become wise. 19 For the wisdom of this world is foolishness in God’s sight.

I Corinthians 1:18 For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Hebrews 4:12 For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 (AMP)

16 Every Scripture is God-breathed (given by His inspiration)

2 Peter 1:21 (NIV84)

21 For prophecy never had its origin in the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

R.C. Sproul says this:

The Holy Spirit guided the human authors so that their words would be nothing less than the word of God. How God superintended the original writings of the Bible is not known. But inspiration does not mean that God dictated His messages to those who wrote the Bible. Rather, the
Holy Spirit communicated through the human writers the very words of God.

Luke 4:16–20 (NIV84)

16 He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. And he stood up to read. 17 The scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written: 18 “The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, 19 to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” 20 Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him,
Matthew 3:3

3 This is he who was spoken of through the prophet Isaiah: “A voice of one calling in the desert, ‘Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him.’ ”

Isaiah 40:3
A voice of one calling: "In the wilderness prepare the way for the LORD; make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Luke 4:10

10 For it is written: “ ‘He will command his angels concerning you to guard you carefully;
Psalm 91:11

11 For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways;


5 Some of his disciples were remarking about how the temple was adorned with beautiful stones and with gifts dedicated to God. But Jesus said, 6 “As for what you see here, the time will come when not one stone will be left on another; every one of them will be thrown down.”

There is something about a billion stars held steady by a God who knows what He is doing!