Bible as Novel

One story, one coherent plot line

One Author - God Infallible, true Outside of time

Inspired human authors in the supernatural sense of God speaking through them

The Word of God

Supernatural, miracles and events accepted as reported

Problems in understanding require prayer and patience

Application imperative

Bible as Short Story Collection

Many stories that are loosely tied together

Multiple human authors, editors, and redactors, fallible and a product of their times

Human authors inspired by God in a nonsupernatural sense as anyone is inspired by lofty subject

Contains some words of God, human reason needed to decide

Seemingly supernatural events have natural explanations

Problems in understanding allow human judgement

Application optional