



Can I Trust the Bible?

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Truth for Life

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(Questions and Scriptures for further study)

“All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.” 2 Timothy 3:16-17

I Can Trust the Bible because ...

1. It is _____ Accurate
The Word of the Lord is right and true. Psalm 33:4
2. It is _____ Accurate
Every word of God is flawless. Proverbs 30:5
Cp. Psalm 12:6
3. It is _____ Accurate
No prophecy ever originated from humans. Instead, it was given by the Holy Spirit as humans spoke under God's direction. 2 Peter 1:21
Cp. Matthew 26:56; Revelation 22:6
4. It is _____ Unified
Beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, Jesus explained to them what was said in ALL the Scriptures concerning himself. Luke 24:27
You search the Scriptures because you believe they give you eternal life. But the Scriptures point to me! John 5:39
5. It was _____
Jesus said, “I tell you the truth, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen will disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished! Matthew 5:18
6. It has Survived _____ and _____
Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away. Matthew 24:35
Cp. 1 Peter 1:24-25
7. It has Proven to be _____
Jesus said, If you continue in my Word, then you are my disciples indeed; and you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free! - John 8:31-32

Closing Thoughts ...

- What will be the _____ in our _____ ?

1. How important is the ability to trust someone and what they say for there to be health in a relationship? What does the lack of trust do to affect the relationship? When trust is evident, how does the relationship benefit?
2. **What does it say?** Read Psalm 12:6 in a few translations. God took great care to preserve his words and protect the Bible from eradication. Why does this passage make you feel confident about the trustworthiness of the Bible?
3. **What does it mean?** How can the purity of the Bible and its unified message improve our relationship with God?
4. **What do I do?** Knowing the care God put into protecting the Bible and maintaining its message, discuss in your group how its truth can motivate you to expand your biblical knowledge. How does expanding our biblical knowledge help us to change the way we live?
5. Read Colossians 3:16. What does it mean to let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly? How do we do that? How do we pick it back up after we have set it down for a season?
6. Next Steps ...

Read Luke 11:28. Jesus believed the Bible was true and commanded us to trust his word. What does the verse say we are to do once we hear the word of God? How does putting the word of God into practice help you stop being a slave to your own desires?

- a. What changes do you need to make?
- b. How can this group assist you in those changes or steps?
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The Word of the Lord is right and true. Psalm 33:4
2. It is **Scientifically** Accurate
Every word of God is flawless. Proverbs 30:5
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3. It is **Prophetically** Accurate
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5. It was **Confirmed by Jesus**
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6. It has Survived **Time** and **Attacks**
Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away. Matthew 24:35
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7. It has Proven to be **Life Changing**
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