

Trusting The Bible

Introduction - Questions of Knowledge & Authority

What does it mean to trust God's Word?

Authority in Creation *Gen. 1, Luke 4:3-4, John 6:66-69*

Did God Really Say? *Gen. 3*

What is God's Purpose for the the Bible? *2 Tim 3:14-17, Luke 24:44*

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*General Information **

There are _____ in the Bible.

There are _____ in the Old Testament and

_____ in the New Testament.

The Bible was originally written in _____ languages.

Bonus: Which book/s contains large sections with multiple languages

The Bible was written by roughly _____ authors over _____ years.

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The 4 Attributes of Scripture.

1. God's Word recognises it's own Authority

2 Peter 1:20-21, Luke 16:29-31, 2 Tim 3:16-17, 2 Peter 3:15-16

2. God's Provision of the Bible

Trusting the Old Testament *Mark 12-25-26*

Trusting the New Testament *Col 4:15-16, 1 Cor 5:9, 2 Peter 3:15-16*

There are _____ fragments or complete copies of the Greek NT.

There are _____ manuscripts of the NT in other languages,

_____ comes closest with _____ copies. Most histories have less than _____ and are written far later than the events they record in comparison to the New Testament.

The Point being, if you trust we have faithful of other ancient histories of the time, then we can sure that we have a far batter record of with the apostles wrote in that 1st centurv.

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3. Apostolic Origins of NT *Matt 28:18-20, 1Kings 19:18*

4. Divine Attributes

Inerrancy *Titus 1:2*

Infallible *Psalms 1:1-3*

Does Not Contradict itself *Prov. 26:4-5, Matt 27:5, Acts 1:18*

Effective for its purposes. *Heb 4:12, John 10:27, Is 55:11*

Back to 2 Tim 3:14-16

Why We Trust the Bible

Further Reading

* **The New Evidence that Demands a Verdict**, Josh McDowell, 1999.

The Book that Made Your World: How the Bible Created the Soul of Western Civilization, Vishal Mangalwadi, 2011.

Canon Revisited: Establishing the Origins and Authority of the New Testament Books. Michael J. Kruger, 2012.