



# Why We Trust the Bible

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**We desperately need truth.** ([John 8:31-32, 44](#))

## **Reasons We Believe the Bible Is God's Inspired and Infallible Word:**

([2 Kings 22:10-13](#))

### **a. Continuity**

- Written by 40 different authors from various backgrounds over a 1500-year span on 3 continents
- 66 separate books
- One message: God's redemption of mankind
- [63,799 cross references](#) throughout the Bible

### **b. Fulfilled Prophecy** ([Isaiah 46:9-10](#))

- 300+ Messianic prophecies
  - » Jesus' crucifixion ([Isaiah 53](#); [Psalm 22](#))
  - » Daniel: Messiah will begin His public ministry 483 years after decree to rebuild Jerusalem ([Daniel 9:25-26](#))
  - » Daniel: Messiah "cut off" (killed) prior to the second destruction of Jerusalem (AD 70)
- Moses: First Jewish exile ([Deuteronomy 28:49-57](#))
- Isaiah: Jews return and rebuild Jerusalem ([Isaiah 44:28-45:3](#))

### **c. Historical Accuracy**

- Hittite culture
- Tower of Babel
- Sodom & Gomorrah
- Luke's writings ([Luke](#); [Acts](#))

### **d. Scientific Knowledge**

- Hydrological/water cycle ([Job 36:27-28](#))
- The Earth hangs in empty space. ([Job 26:7](#))
- Time and space had a beginning. ([Genesis 1](#))
- The Second Law of Thermodynamics ([Psalm 102:25-26](#))
- The Earth is a sphere. ([Isaiah 40:22](#))
- Blood is necessary for life. ([Leviticus 17:11](#))
- Handling of disease and germs ([Deuteronomy 23:12-14](#))

### **e. Transformed Lives** ([2 Peter 1:16](#))

- Countless lives radically changed.
- The apostles sealed their testimony with their lives.