



From the Mind of God to the Hands of Man: Inspiration

The History of the English Bible

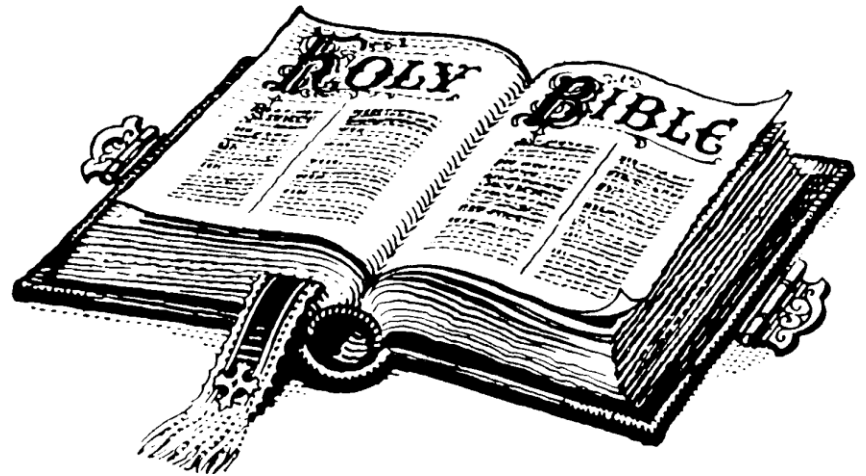
Part Two



What Does Inspiration Mean?

“**Inspiration**” refers to the way in which God gave us His Holy Word, the Bible.

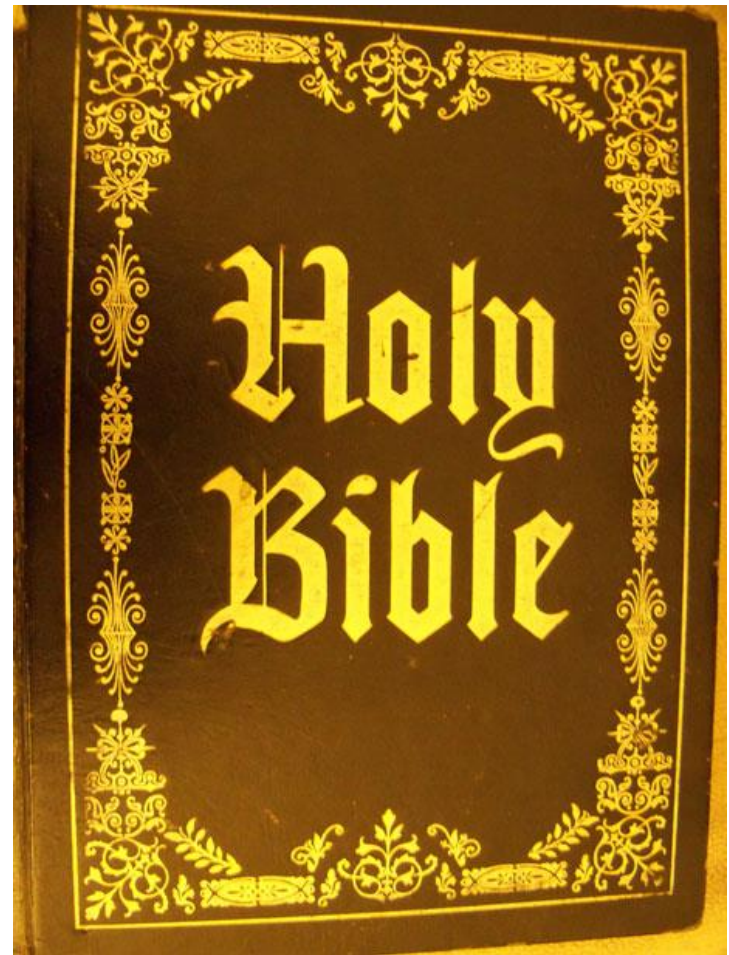
Having revealed Himself and His Word to man, God moved to record and preserve this revelation in written form.



How God Did Not Send His Word

God could have chosen any number of impressive and remarkable ways to send it:

- He could have spoken from heaven to the World
- He could have sent us an angel with flaming tablets of truth
- He could have craved it on the Alps with lightning
- He could have had it come down from the seat of “St. Peter” in Rome
- He could have had it discovered on “Nephite” plates buried on Cumorah Hill



God's Ways Are Not Ours

**---BUT HE DID NONE OF
THESE THINGS---**

The Bible is very clear as
to its own origins and
inspiration.



The Bible's Own Statements Concerning Inspiration



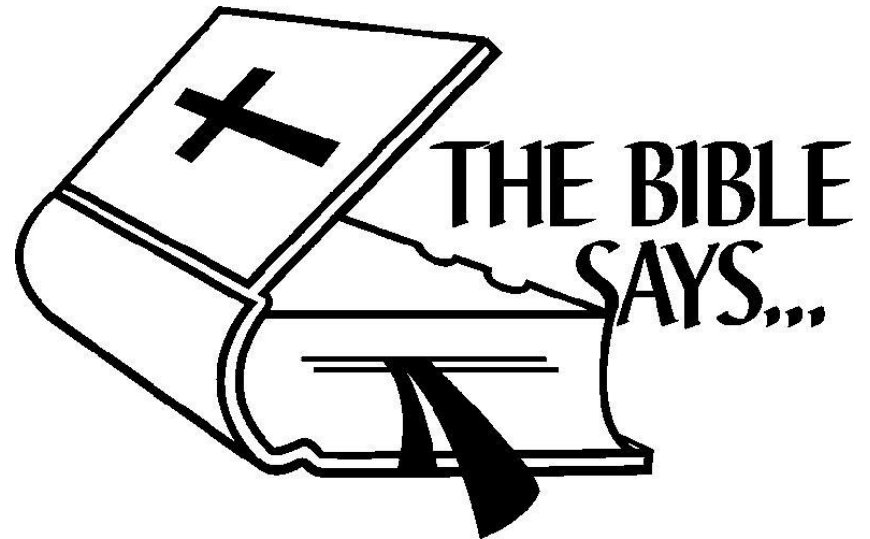
- There are two outstanding Biblical Passages dealing with the inspiration of the Scriptures – We should examine both of them to get the whole picture.
- They are II Peter 1:21 and II Timothy 3:16

II Peter 1:21

II Peter 1:21 “For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.”

This passage reveals the two key aspects of Inspiration:

1. **Human Penmanship** – “Holy Men of God spake”
2. **Divine Authorship** – “moved by the Holy Ghost”



Carried Along by God



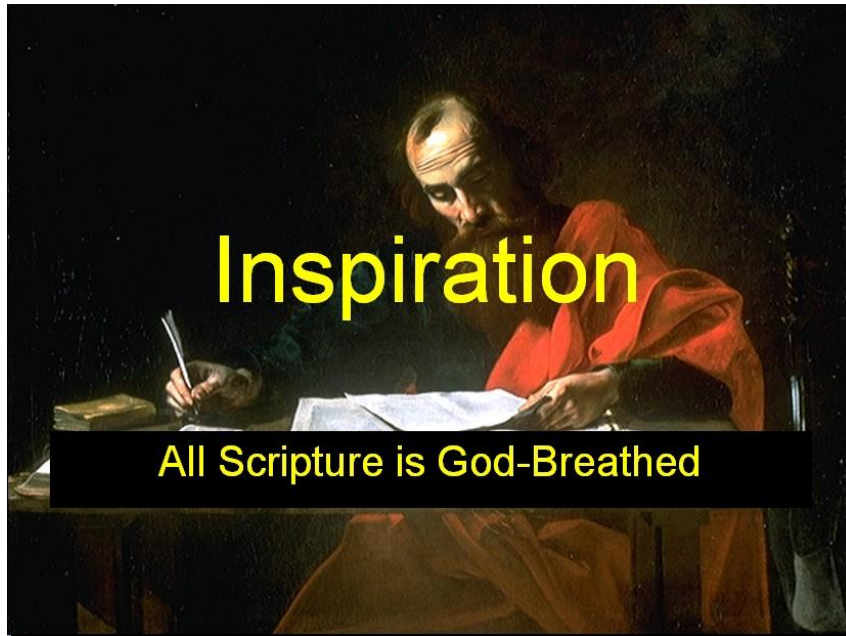
What the verse is saying is that God was the active source of the Scriptures. The word “moved” (Greek “pheromenoi” *φερομενοι*) means “carried along” or “borne along” as a leaf is carried in the wind or a log in the swift moving waters of a flood. This indicates that God simply follow the writers along or hover over their shoulders to make sure they did not accidentally make a mistake. He did not intervene if He thought that someone was straying from His plan. Rather, the Scripture here indicates that God consciously moved these willing men along. He impressed on their minds, using their style and vocabulary the very words He intended for them to use. And as God’s Words filled their hearts and minds as wind filled the sails of a ship, they were carried along to wrote exactly what He intended. (The very same Greek word was used in Acts 27:17 and is translated “driven” signifying that the ship was completely controlled by the wind and was at the total mercy of the storm.)

40 Authors 40 Generations

The inspiration of the Scriptures is a **TOTAL** miracle from God. God used some 40 different authors of widely varying occupations and educational levels over a time span of 40 generations (1,600 years) – and gave us a Book that is total agreement with itself and without error. It is truly God's miracle book.



II Timothy 3:16



“All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:”

II Timothy 3:16

God Breathed

Here the key phrase is “given by inspiration”. Inspiration is theopneustos (Greek *ΘΕΟΠΝΥΕΣΤΟΣ* or “God-breathed”.)

What this Scripture is literally saying is that God is the very Author of Divine Revelation and that makes Bible the very Word of the living God!



Moving Toward a Full Definition of Inspiration

We can say on the basis of these and other Scriptures that inspiration is the *moving of the Holy Spirit upon the human writers of the Bible in such a way that they recorded the very words and sense of God, though clearly written in their own vocabulary and literary style.*



But We Need to Add Detail Due to the False Theories of Bible-Rejecting Men:

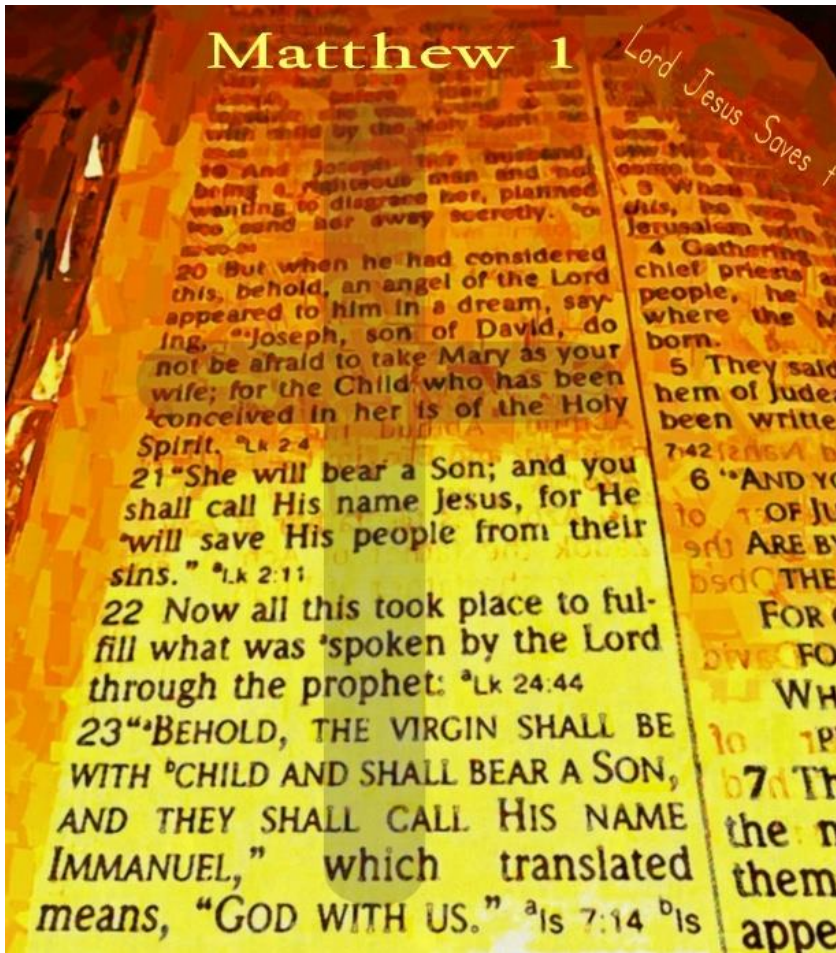
There are five terms that are crucial to refute man's false ideas:

1. Confluent Inspiration
2. Verbal Inspiration
3. Plenary Inspiration
4. Inerrant Inspiration
5. Infallible Inspiration

Let's examine each term:



Confluent Inspiration



"By the Lord through the prophet" ...
This makes it clear that God is working in a special way...Divine and Human involvement and just as inexplicable as the Virgin Birth and the New Birth.

Many Scriptures affirm this...
Matthew 1:22, Acts 4:25, Acts 13:35, Isaiah 8:1, Isaiah 30:8 etc.

This view of Inspiration is directly in contradiction of the so called "Mechanical Dictation" Theory, which incorrectly teaches that the writers of Scripture were merely dictating machines through which God simply used to transcribe His Word.

Four Writers and Four Gospels

This explains how different writers could have different styles and content in the four Gospels, where the life of Christ is examined from four perspectives.

Matthew ...Christ the King of Israel

Mark ... Christ the Servant of the LORD

Luke...Christ the Perfect Man

John...Christ the God Man

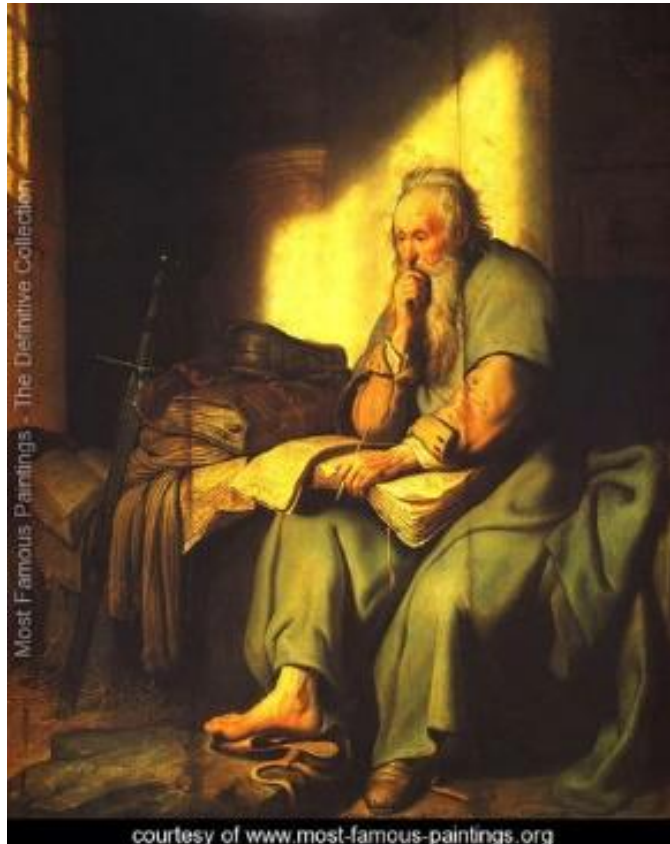




THE
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NETAL BERGLUND

Paul Deserves Equal Attention



This also explains the statement of the apostle Paul in I Corinthians 7:12..."to the rest speak I, not the Lord..." Many have interpreted this as Paul saying that some parts of the Epistle were his opinion and others were inspired. But clearly Paul was referring to the fact that *some of his instructions were based on previous revelation from the Gospels while in the areas where he did not have specific revelation from the Lord in the Gospels, he was giving new revelation which should be accorded equal attention and respect because he was God's instrument in the penning of Divinely inspired revelation.*

Verbal Inspiration

- By this we mean that the **very words** of Scripture are God's Words
- Inspiration goes beyond the concepts and message to the **actual words**. I Corinthians 2:13; Matthew 24:35; Jeremiah 1:9

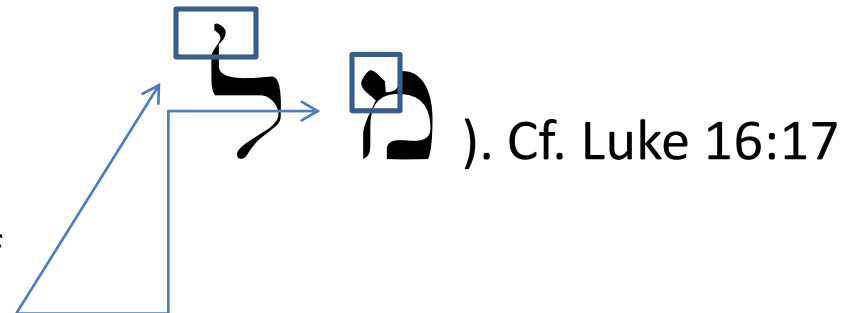


A BRIEF HEBREW LESSON



- In fact, according to Matthew 5:18, inspiration extends to even the:

- smallest letter (jot – יוֹד “yodh”) and
- the smallest parts of Hebrew letters (tittle)



Examples of
Tittles

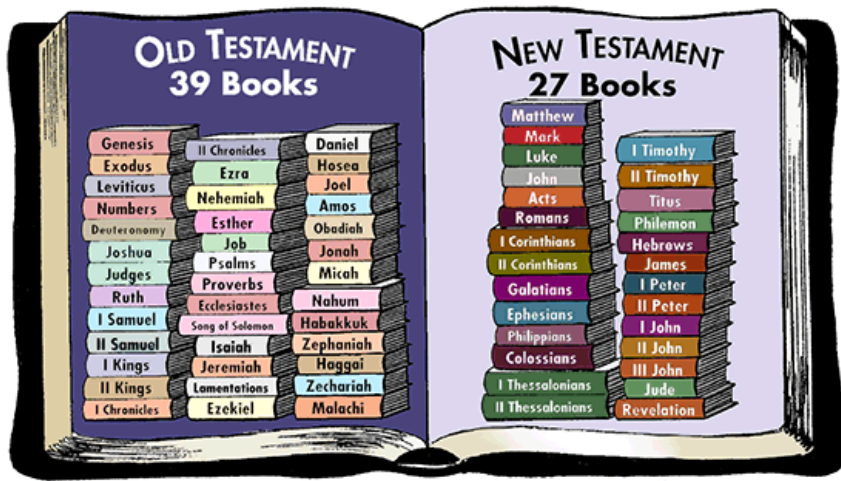
THUS SAITH THE LORD

Many Scriptures show the emphasis God places on Words:

Exodus 24:4; Deuteronomy 6:6; 12:28; 17:19; 18:8; 27:3; 31:12; 32:1,45,46; Joshua 8:34,35; 24:26; I Samuel. 8:10; II Samuel 23:2; Psalm 12:6; Proverbs 30:6,7; Jeremiah 7:27; 23:36; 26:2; 30:2; Ezekiel 3:10; Daniel 10:9-11; Matthew 4:4; Luke 4:4; John 8:47; 17:8; I Timothy 4:6; II Peter 3:2; Jude 17; Revelation 1:3; 22:18,19



Plenary Inspiration



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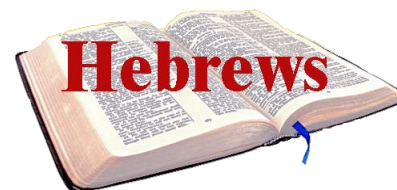
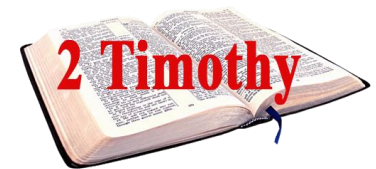
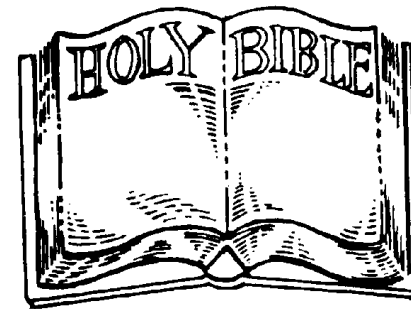
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The word
“plenary”
means
“extending
equally to all
parts.”

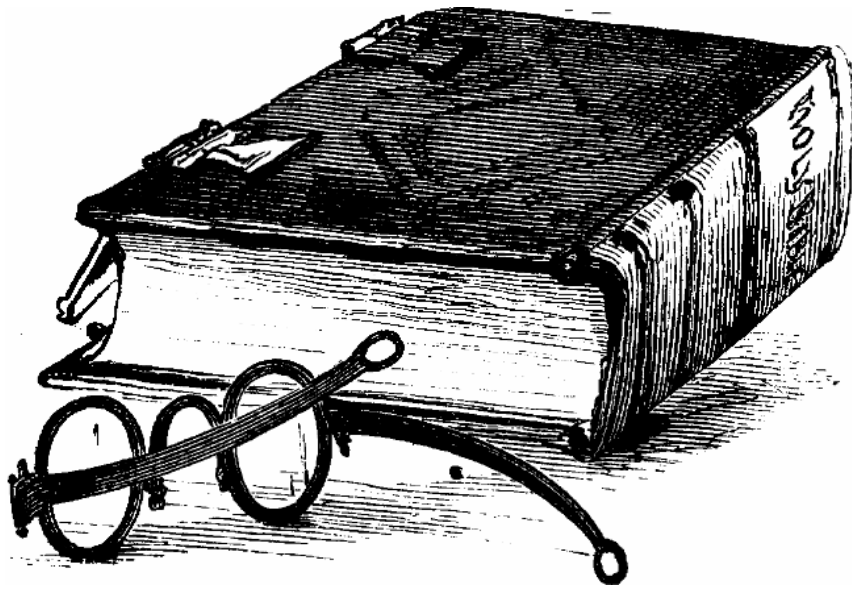
Practical Implications of Plenary Inspiration

Thus applied to Inspiration it means:

- The **Entire Bible** is inspired
- **Every part of the Bible** equally inspired.
Malachi is just as inspired as Micah or Matthew and Luke has equal standing with Lamentations



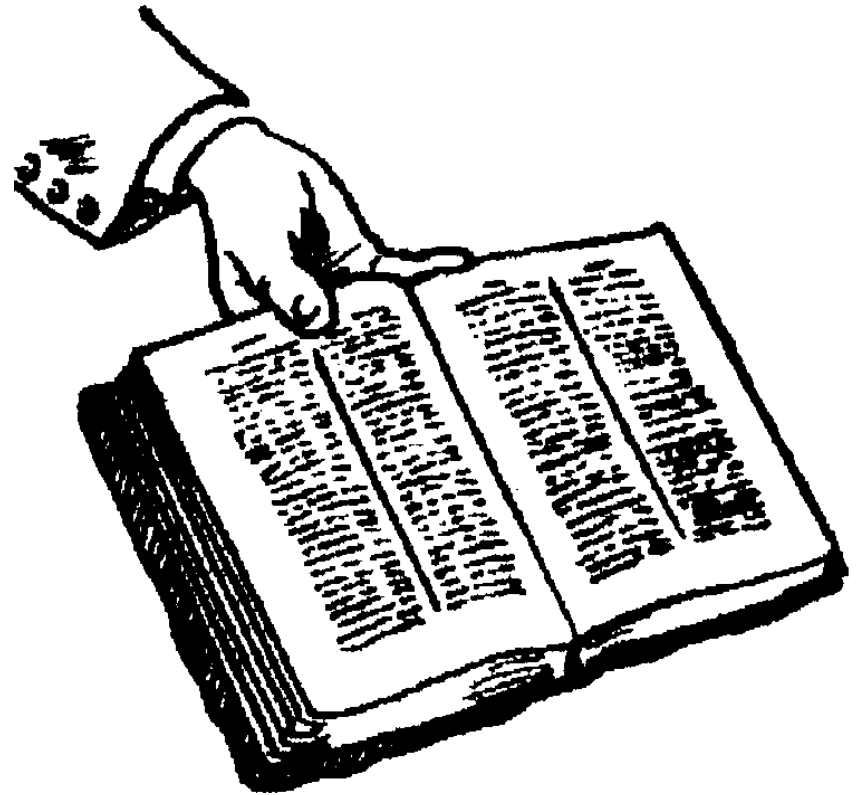
All Scripture is Inspired!



II Timothy 3:16
reminds us that
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given by
inspiration of
God” ...

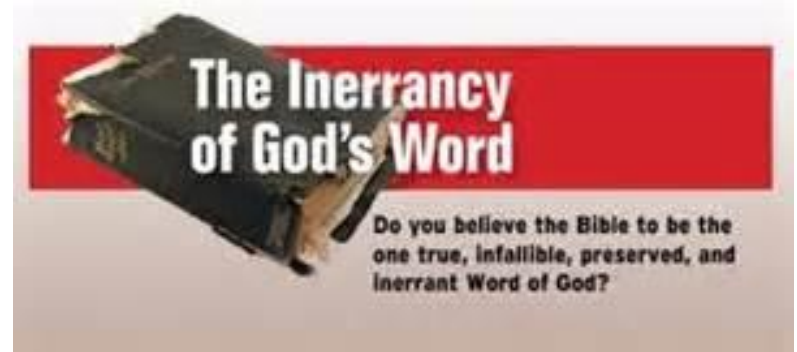
Well Said, Sir!

“The BIBLE is none other than the Voice of Him that sitteth upon the Throne! Every book of it — every chapter of it — every verse of it — every word of it — every syllable of it — (where are we to stop?) every letter of it — is the direct utterance of the Most High! The Bible is none other than the word of God — not some part of it more, some part of it less, but all alike, the utterance of Him, who sitteth upon the Throne — absolute — faultless — unerring — supreme.”
Dean John Burgon



Inerrant Inspiration

- The word “inerrant” means “not liable to be proven wrong in any way” and “incapable of failing”.
- When applied to Scripture it means that the Bible was written down correctly in every detail.
- Hebrews 6:18b; Titus 1:2c; Numbers 23:19; John 10:35



Guaranteed Accuracy



GOD'S TRUTH



SATAN'S LIE

- Such inerrant inspiration maintains that the ***exact Divine Message*** is given.
- Think of it this way: God's truth is still true. Satan's lies are still lies. Both are accurately recorded but inspiration does not turn the Devil's lies into truth, but it does mean they are accurately recorded.

The Practical Implications

- One commentator said, “What Scripture says, God says – through human agency and without error.”
- One proof of this is seen by comparing Rom. 9:17 and Gal. 3:8 (where *the Scripture* says) Exodus 9:16 and Genesis 12:1,3 respectively (where the LORD says).



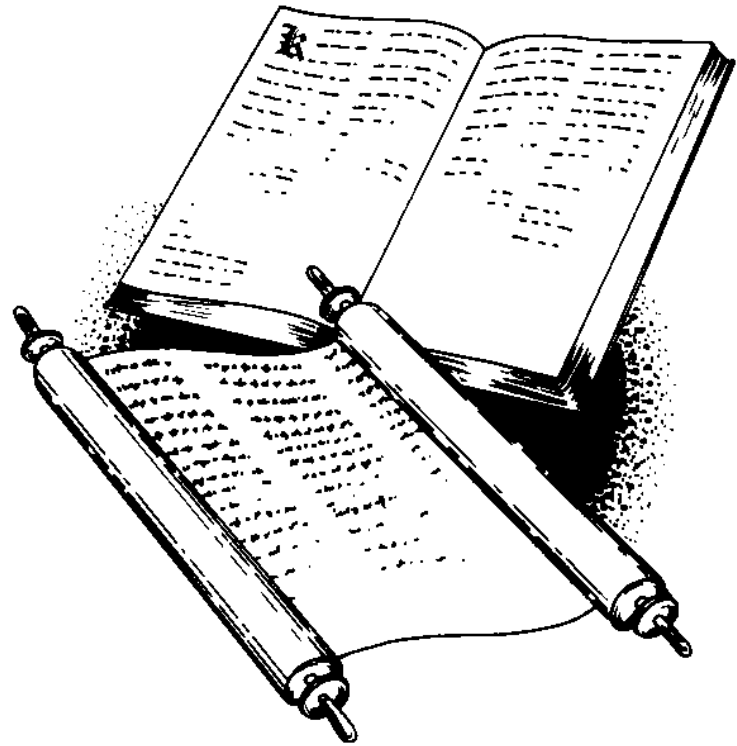
The Difference Between Inerrancy and Infallibility



- This means that the Bible is without error in its teaching. It is incapable of teaching deception.
 - See Psalm 119:160; John 17:17
- The terms “infallible” and “inerrant” are often used interchangeably, but there is a difference.
- **Inerrant** means without error in its recording.
 - **Infallible** means without error in its teaching.

The Limits of Infallibility

“Infallibility is obviously restricted to the intended assertions of Scripture understood in an ordinary grammatical exegesis of the text.”

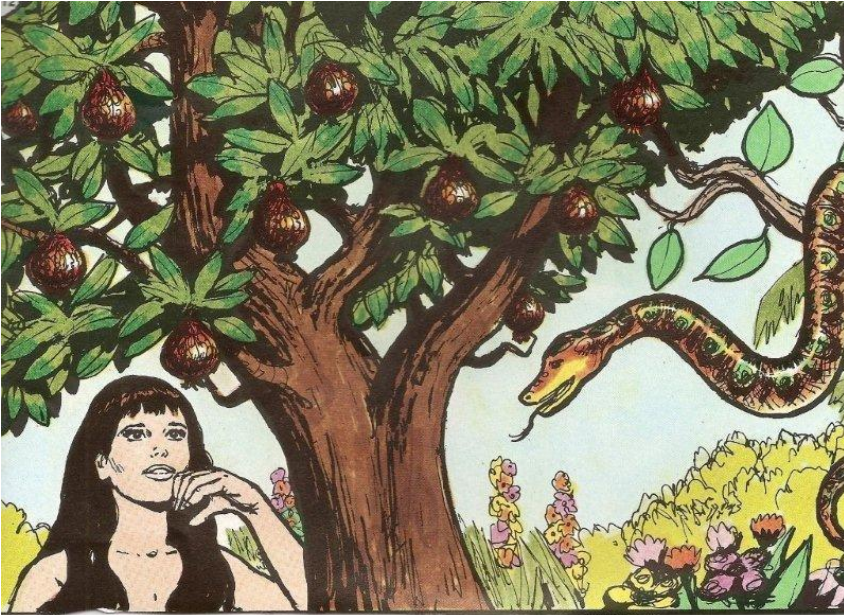


Intelligent Infallibility

Infallibility takes into account such things as the use of poetic or figures of speech, the use of simile, hyperbole, allegory, parable, and symbolism, etc.

Term	Definition	Example
Alliteration	The repetition of usually initial consonant sounds in two or more neighboring words or syllables	The wild and woolly walrus waits and wonders when we'll walk by
Assonance	A resemblance of sound in words or syllables	holy & stony and Fleet feet sweep by sleeping geese
Cliche	A word or phrase that has become overly familiar or commonplace	No pain, no gain
Hyperbole	Big exaggeration, usually with humor	mile-high ice-cream cones
Idiom	The language peculiar to a group of people	She sings at the top of her lungs
Metaphor	Comparing two things by using one kind of object or using in place of another to suggest the likeness between them	Her hair was silk
Onomatopoeia	Naming a thing or an action by imitating the sound associated with it	buzz, hiss, roar, woof
Personification	Giving something human qualities	The stuffed bear smiled as the little boy hugged him close
Simile	A figure of speech comparing two unlike things that is often introduced by like or as	The sun is like a yellow ball of fire in the sky

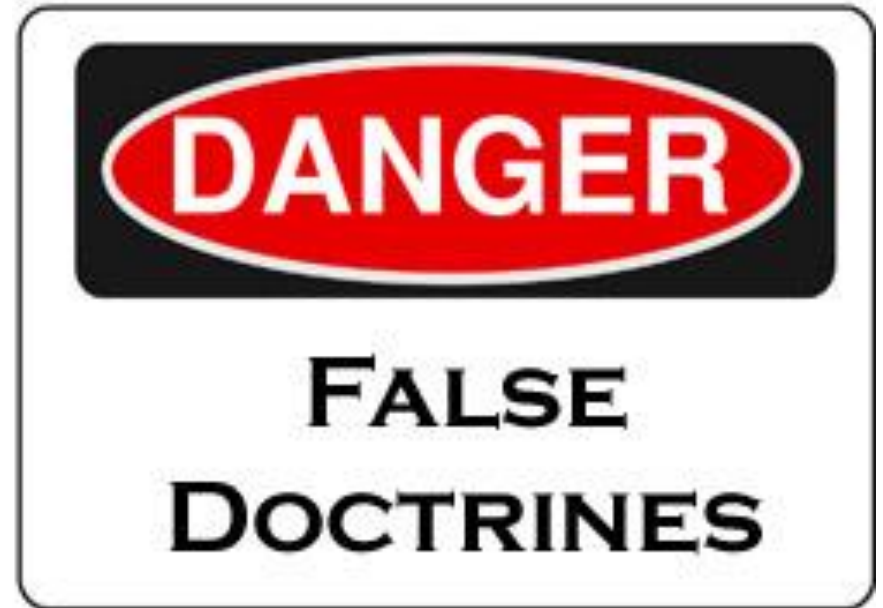
Infallible Inspiration



In most cases , what is inspired is authoritative, but not in all cases. Some things in the Bible, though accurately recorded through inspiration, do not have the authority of God. The Book of Job accurately records the words of God, Job, Satan, Job's wife, Eliphaz, Bildad, Zophar, and Elihu. Some of the statements in the Book are consequently ungodly or in direct contradiction to the other statements of Scripture. They are inspired, but not authoritative. (Many cults conveniently overlook this very important distinction.)

Theories of Inspiration

What we have presented is the Bible's clear teaching on inspiration, but not everyone accepts it. Other theories abound. They largely fall into one of three camps which we will survey so you can understand how men go astray from the truth:



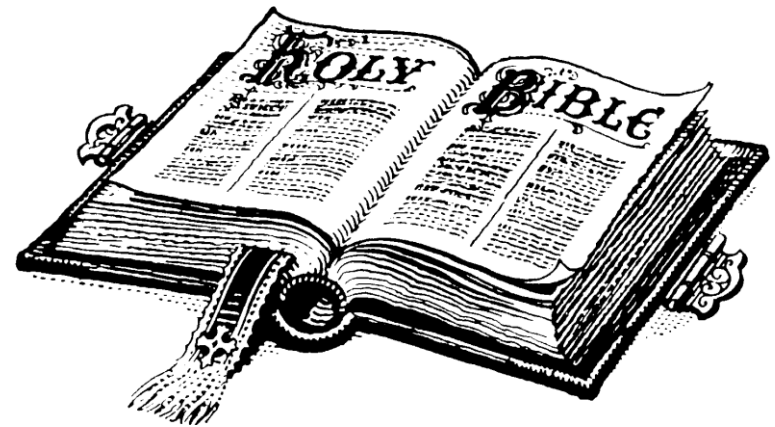
The Position of Conservative but Not Fundamentalist Theology



These ideas weighed in the scales of truth and found sorely wanting.

Statement of Position:

“The Bible *IS* the Word of God”



Mechanical Dictation

Dynamic Inspiration: This also known as “Mechanical Dictation”. The writers of Scripture were nothing more than passive instruments through which the Word of God flowed and they were utterly insensible to what they wrote. Those who hold to the verbal, plenary inspiration are often accused of this position, but those who make this charge ignore our belief in confluency. It should be noted that there were, in fact, certain occasions where direct dictation did occur. (Rev. 2:1,8,12, 18 etc., Exodus 34:27 – yet even those passage appear to bear the style of the author. (It is important to note that the Bible is not pure dictation...there are very real differences in style, vocabulary, and thought patterns in the Bible. This would not be the case if God was simply dictating the words to the earthly authors.)



Concept Inspiration



Conceptual Inspiration – This is also known as the “thought Inspiration” theory. It holds that the thoughts, concepts, and root message of the Bible were inspired but dismisses the words as utterly unnecessary. This viewpoint says that all versions of the Scripture are good and that really they all basically are saying the same thing. This is the position of A H Strong, the Baptist Theologian and the operating philosophy of the NIV. The problem is that the Bible clearly teaches the doctrine of VERBAL inspiration...ref. to Verbal Inspiration slide. I Corinthians 2:13

The Position of Modernist Theology

Statement of Position- “The Bible **CONTAINS** the Word of God.”

Partial Inspiration –This theory holds that the Bible is a mixture of the sublime and the ridiculous. Parts of it are inspired but other parts are pure fable. In other words, somewhere between the covers of the Scriptures you will find God’s Word. But the problem is that the people holding this view cannot seem to agree about which passages are inspired. Some hold that the great cardinal doctrines are inspired, while supporting arguments and evidences are of purely human origin. Some hold that only those parts of Scripture containing good moral instruction are inspired. The test is often --- is it rational? A theory akin to this one is the Degree Inspiration theory which sees some part of the Bible as more inspired than others (i.e. the Sermon on the Mount is more inspired than the Mosaic Law Code.) Our answer is again that the Bible teaches Plenary Inspiration- (II Timothy 3:16) we have to point out that Partial Inspiration is terribly subjective and creates a new authority apart from the Word of God itself. The question arises naturally, “Just who decides what is inspired and what is not?” Men (especially theologians of the liberal stripe and scholars) set themselves up as judges as to what is God’s Word and what is not.



Another Modernist View



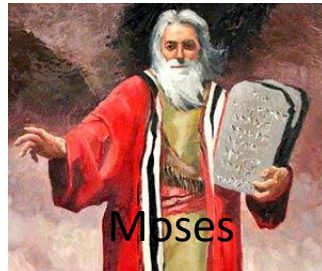
Shakespeare



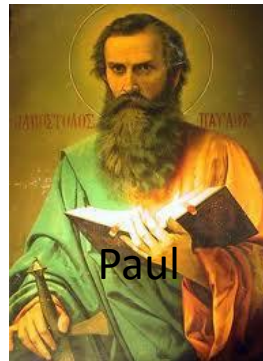
John



C S Lewis



Moses



Paul



John Bunyan

Gracious Inspiration-
Sometimes called Genius inspiration holds that “spirit-filled” writers from every generation who are holy and pious are “inspired”. Thus the writings of Bunyan, Clive Staples Lewis, and even Shakespeare are equally inspired as the words of John, Paul or Moses.

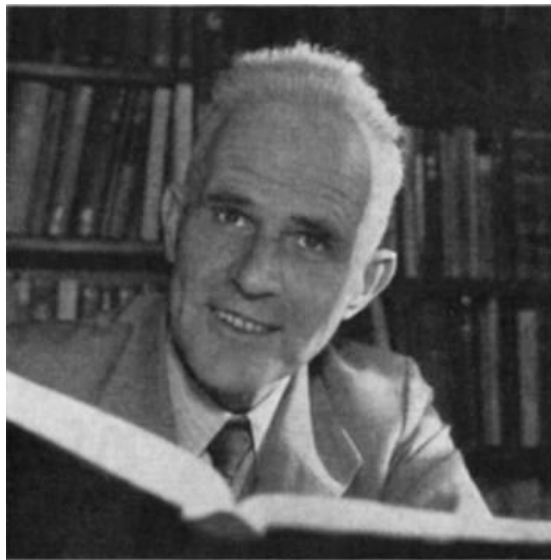
Final Modernist View -Natural Inspiration

This theory is called “Universal Christian Illumination” – It really says all the Bible writers were inspired just like the writings of all other Christians (and others) in other ages. Really it is like saying the writings of some author are “inspiring”.



The Position of Neo-Orthodox Theology

Statement of Position: The
Bible **Becomes** The Word
of God

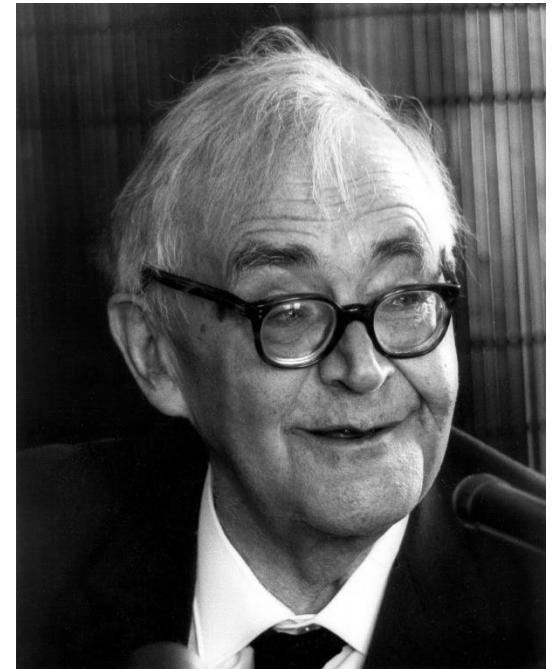


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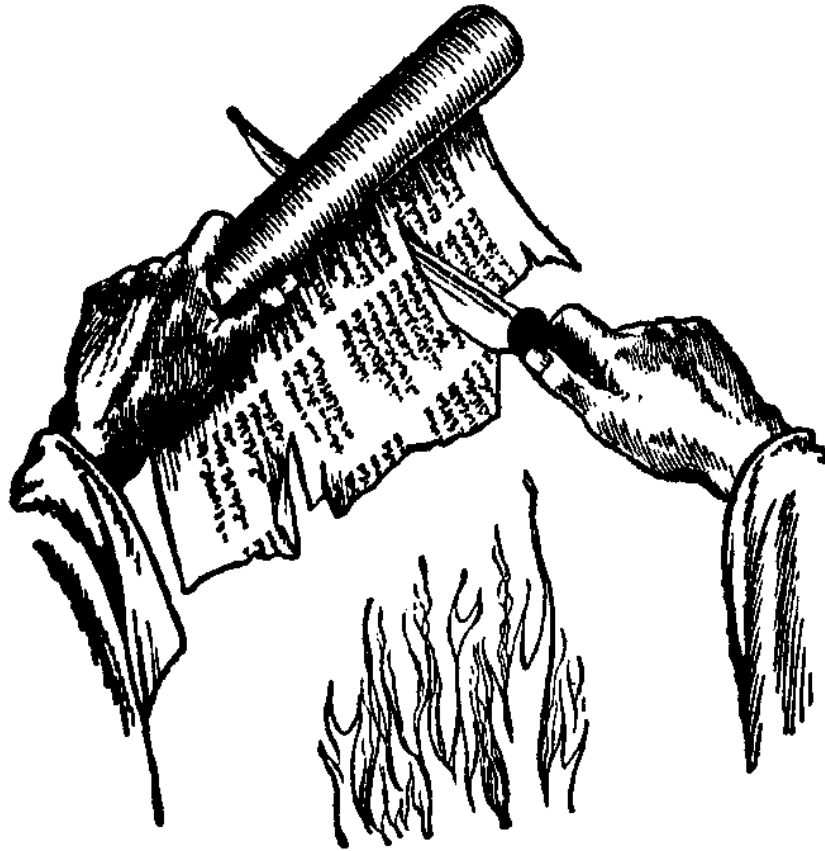


Rudolf Bultmann



Karl Barth

Demythologizing Inspiration



This view teaches that the Bible was written in “legendary language” and it is the work of the modern interpreter to “demythologize” the Bible – to cut away the myth so that the truth may emerge.

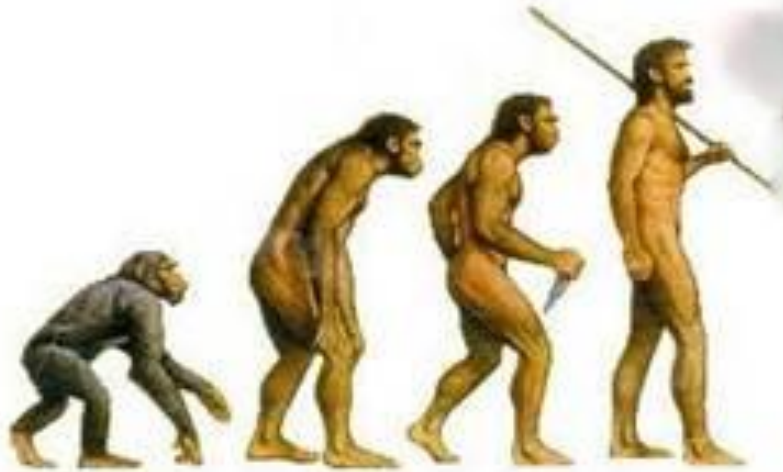
This View Holds:

Take out the “myths” and you will arrive at the “real message of God’s self-giving love in Christ. **It is not necessary to hold to an objective, historical and propositional revelation** in order to experience this subjective and personal truth.” – Rudolf Bultmann



Rudolf Bultmann

An Example of This View



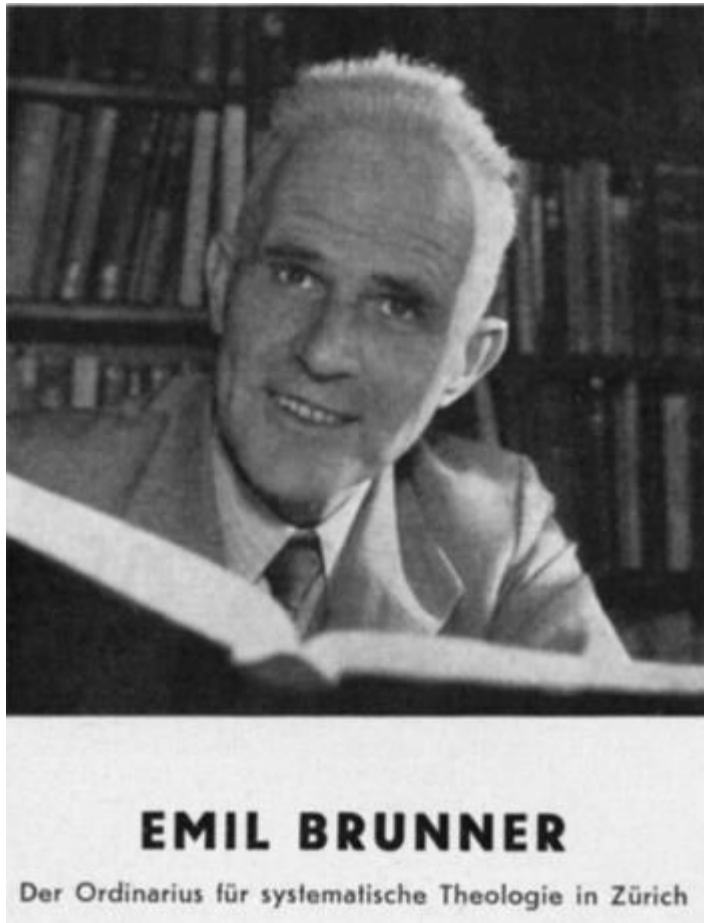
An example of this view is the idea of Theistic Evolution. These people hold that the first two chapters of Genesis are nothing more than pure myth. God is seen as using the forces of evolution to bring about mankind. It is not the process that is important rather it is the fact that God eventually brought about man.

Refuting This View

- This whole view makes the Bible SUBJECTIVE.
- Since the Bible must be demythologized, its interpretation depends on MAN.
- Therefore, MAN is the authority and NOT God.
- This runs entirely counter to the REAL teaching of the Word of God!



Personal Encounter Inspiration



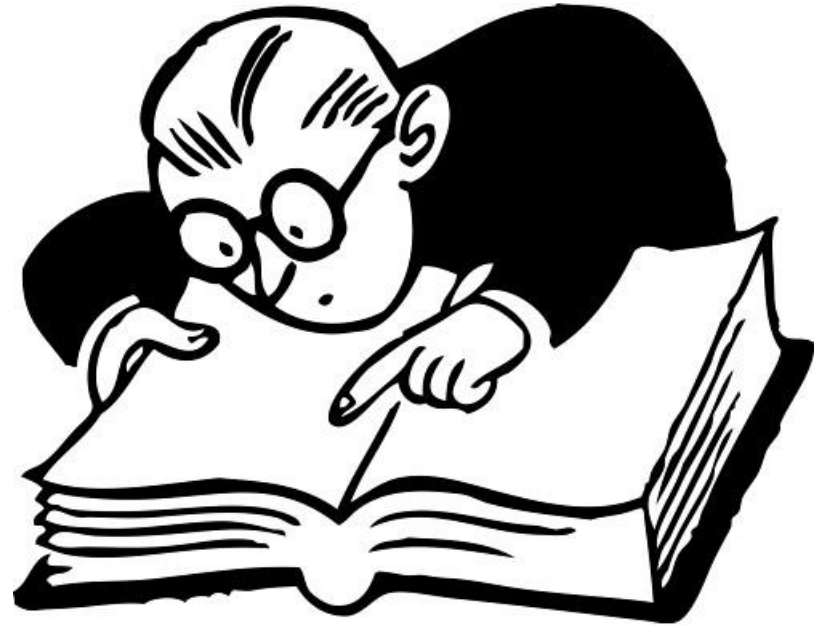
Bultmann's radical Neo-Orthodox position was too extreme for some so –

Emil Brunner, Karl Barth, Paul Tillich and others developed a “gentler” position called Personal Encounter Inspiration

To them the Bible **BECOMES** the Word of God when you have a personal encounter with it!

So What Does PEI Teach?

- They hold the Bible is an imperfect Book
- But as you read it
- God's message "breaks through"
- Thus, Bible truth is personal, subjective, and entirely dependent on the Reader.



Their Own Words



In this view, what you bring to the study of the Bible determines the truth of the Bible. You see what you wish to in it like this kitten looking in the mirror!

- The Bible is “original translation of Christian feeling” Schleiermacher
- “Receptive and Creative response to potentially revelatory facts.” Tillich
- “An encounter with a hidden God” Barth
- “Not propositional (in words) but personal (through words)” Brunner

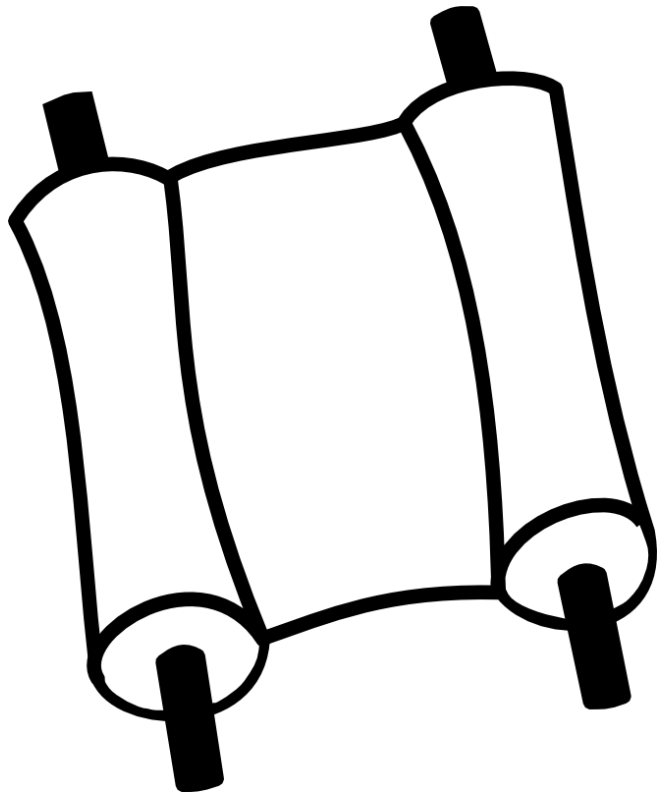
Big Problems With This View



- Makes reading the Bible mystical and emotive.
- Makes man the authority not the Bible.
- This is Christ of the imagination and not reality!
- With this view anything goes, cannot distinguish between Truth and Illusion!

So Let's Consider The Truth of Inspiration from the Bible Itself

- We will Look at the OT
- We will Examine the NT



The Inspiration of the Old Testament

The Doctrine of the Inspiration of Scripture does not rest on one or two “proof-texts” (although that would be sufficient)! Rather it is a truth found throughout the Scripture –by direct statements or evidenced throughout the text.



Eight Ways the OT Claims Inspiration



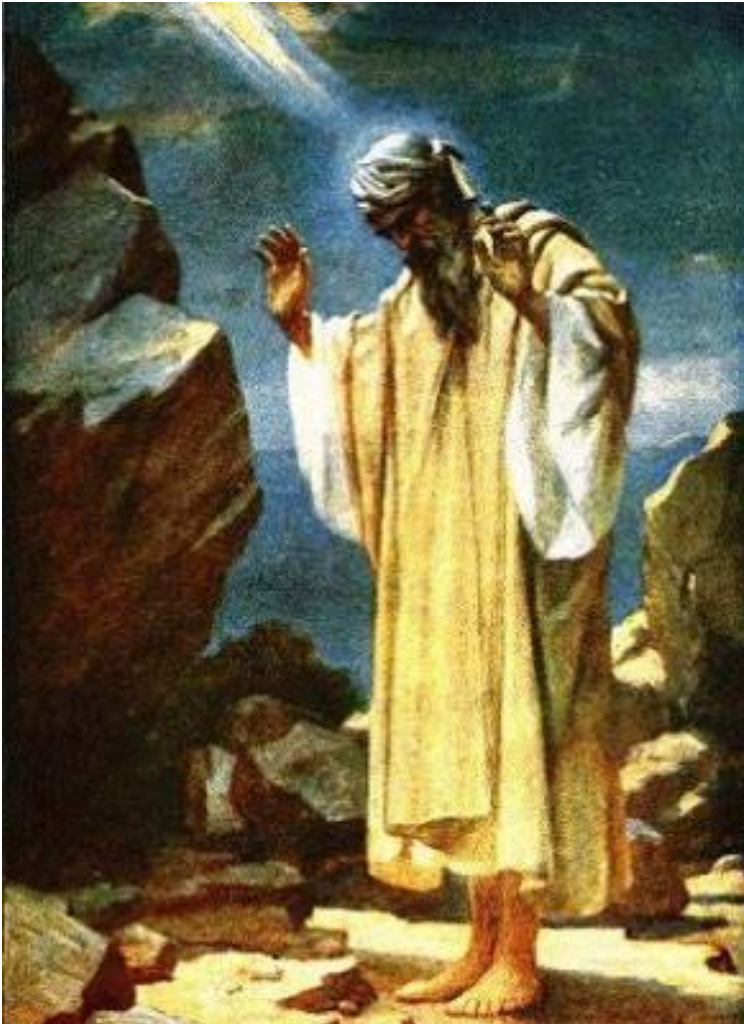
1. Prophetic Authorship
2. Cross Quotation
3. Books Reverenced by Israel
4. Direct Claims of the LAW
5. Direct Claims of the PROPHETS
6. Direct Claims of the Writings
7. NT Witness of the OT
8. Testimony of Christ

The Writers of the Old Testament Were Prophets

- A prophet was, above all, a mouthpiece for God, in spite of whatever else he was in life.
- Deuteronomy 18:18-22 shows that true prophets could only speak as God gave them His Words.



Deuteronomy 8:18-22



- “18 I will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and will put my words in his mouth; and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him.
- 19 And it shall come to pass, that whosoever will not hearken unto my words which he shall speak in my name, I will require it of him.
- 20 But the prophet, which shall presume to speak a word in my name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or that shall speak in the name of other gods, even that prophet shall die.
- 21 And if thou say in thine heart, How shall we know the word which the LORD hath not spoken?
- 22 When a prophet speaketh in the name of the LORD, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that is the thing which the LORD hath not spoken, but the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him.”



Similar Passages



Exodus 7:1 “And the LORD said unto Moses, See, I have made thee a god to Pharaoh: and *Aaron thy brother shall be thy prophet.* 2 *Thou shalt speak all that I command thee:* and *Aaron thy brother shall speak unto Pharaoh,* that he send the children of Israel out of his land.”

Numbers 22:18 18 “And Balaam answered and said unto the servants of Balak, If Balak would give me his house full of silver and gold, *I cannot go beyond the word of the LORD my God,* to do less or more.”

1 Kings 14:18 “And they buried him (Abijah son of Jeroboam); and all Israel mourned for him, *according to the word of the LORD, which he spake by the hand of his servant Ahijah the prophet.*”

Ezekiel 3:17 “Son of man, I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel: *therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me.*”

Amos 3:7 “Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets. 8 The lion hath roared, who will not fear? the Lord GOD hath spoken, who can but prophesy?”

The Writers of the OT Were All Prophets Indicating the Nature of Their Writings

- **Moses** - Hosea 12:13,
Deuteronomy 34:10
- **Samuel, Nathan, Gad** –
I Chronicles 29:29
- **David** – Acts 2:30
- **Solomon** – I Kings 11:9
with Numbers 12:6
- **Daniel** – Matthew 24:15
- **Ahijah, Iddo** – II
Chronicles 9:29



Add to these the writers of all the prophetic books and we will have included most of the writers God used in the OT!

Old Testament Writers Quoted Other Old Testament Books



- Joshua studied the LAW of God (Pentateuch)
- Ezra referred to Jeremiah as “the word of the LORD”
- Ezra acknowledged the prophecies of Haggai and Zechariah
- Daniel accepted Jeremiah and the Torah as the Word of God. Note also he accepted the Book of Judges
- Zechariah alludes to the Former Prophets (The Historical Books)

The Old Testament Books Were Reverenced by Israel

1. The Tables of the Law were kept in the Ark of the Covenant
2. The Books of Moses were commanded to be read
3. Samuel's writings were kept in the Tabernacle
4. Israel stood in reverence at the reading of the LAW

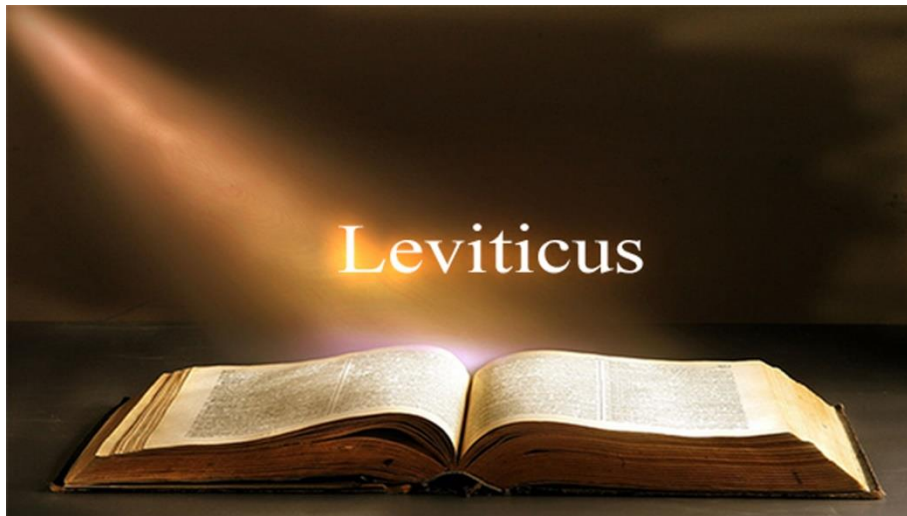


Direct Claims for Inspiration of the Torah (The Law of Moses)



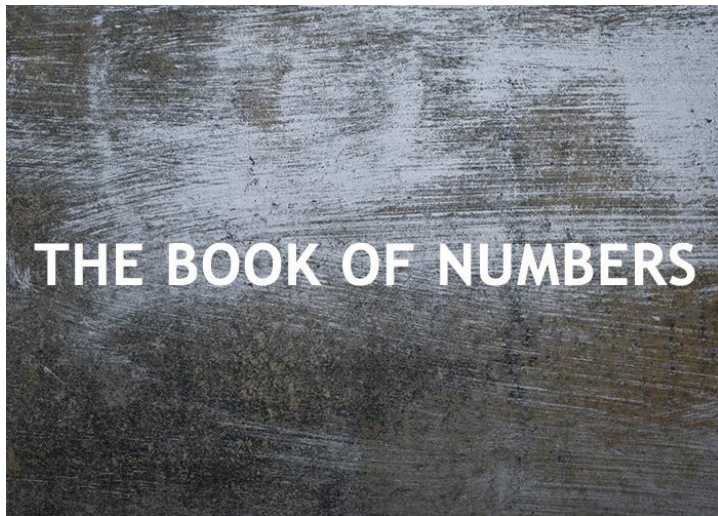
- Exodus 20:1 “God spake all these words...”
- Exodus 32:16 “the writing of God”
- Exodus 35:1 “These are the words which the LORD hath commanded”
- “The LORD spake” 20 times

Direct Claims for Inspiration of the Torah (The Law of Moses)



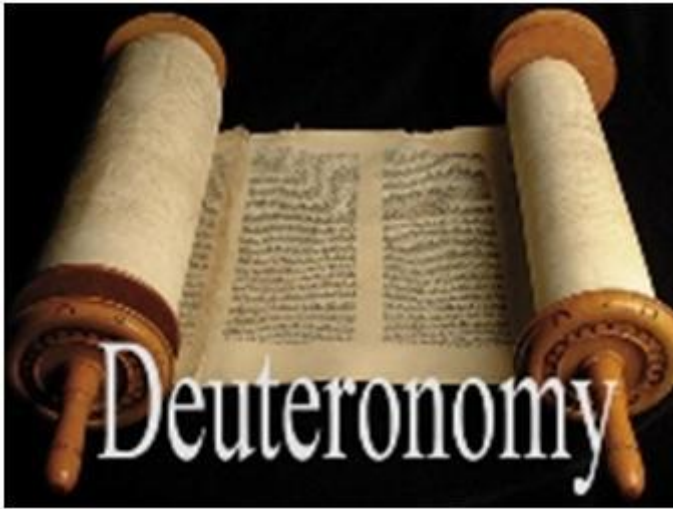
- Leviticus 1:1 “The Lord called unto Moses and spake...”
- Leviticus 8:9 “The Lord commanded...”
- Leviticus 4:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- Leviticus 5:14 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- Leviticus 6:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- Leviticus 6:8 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- Leviticus 6:19 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- Leviticus 6:24 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- Leviticus 7:22 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- Leviticus 7:28 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- Leviticus 8:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- Leviticus 10:3 Then Moses said unto Aaron, This is it that the LORD spake, saying, I will be sanctified in them that come nigh me, and before all the people I will be glorified. And Aaron held his peace.
- Leviticus 10:8 And the LORD spake unto Aaron, saying,
- Leviticus 11:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses and to Aaron, saying unto them,
- Leviticus 12:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

Direct Claims for Inspiration of the Torah (The Law of Moses) 64 times



- Numbers 1:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, in the tabernacle of the congregation, on the first day of the second month, in the second year after they were come out of the land of Egypt, saying,
- Numbers 2:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,
- Numbers 3:1 These also are the generations of Aaron and Moses in the day that the LORD spake with Moses in mount Sinai.
- Numbers 3:5 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- Numbers 3:11 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- Numbers 3:14 And the LORD spake unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, saying,
- Numbers 3:44 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- Numbers 4:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,
- Numbers 4:17 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,
- Numbers 4:21 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- Numbers 5:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- Numbers 5:4 And the children of Israel did so, and put them out without the camp: as the LORD spake unto Moses, so did the children of Israel.

Direct Claims for Inspiration of the Torah (The Law of Moses)



More quoted than any book in the NT and used by the LORD Jesus Christ every time He squared off against Satan in the temptation!

- Deuteronomy 2:1 Then we turned, and took our journey into the wilderness by the way of the Red sea, as the LORD spake unto me: and we compassed mount Seir many days.
- Deuteronomy 2:2 And the LORD spake unto me, saying,
- Deuteronomy 2:17 That the LORD spake unto me, saying,
- Deuteronomy 4:12 And the LORD spake unto you out of the midst of the fire: ye heard the voice of the words, but saw no similitude; only ye heard a voice.
- Deuteronomy 4:15 Take ye therefore good heed unto yourselves; for ye saw no manner of similitude on the day that the LORD spake unto you in Horeb out of the midst of the fire:
- Deuteronomy 5:22 These words the LORD spake unto all your assembly in the mount out of the midst of the fire, of the cloud, and of the thick darkness, with a great voice: and he added no more. And he wrote them in two tables of stone, and delivered them unto me.
- Deuteronomy 9:10 And the LORD delivered unto me two tables of stone written with the finger of God; and on them was written according to all the words, which the LORD spake with you in the mount out of the midst of the fire in the day of the assembly.
- Deuteronomy 9:13 Furthermore the LORD spake unto me, saying, I have seen this people, and, behold, it is a stiffnecked people:
- Deuteronomy 10:4 And he wrote on the tables, according to the first writing, the ten commandments, which the LORD spake unto you in the mount out of the midst of the fire in the day of the assembly: and the LORD gave them unto me.
- Deuteronomy 32:48 And the LORD spake unto Moses that selfsame day, saying,
- Also see Deuteronomy 4:2 Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish ought from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you.

A Few More Verses Concerning the Inspiration of the Torah

- Judges 3:4 “And they were to prove Israel by them, to know whether they would hearken unto the commandments of the LORD, which he commanded their fathers by the hand of Moses.”
- I Kings 8:53 “For thou didst separate them from among all the people of the earth, to be thine inheritance, as thou spakest by the hand of Moses thy servant, when thou broughtest our fathers out of Egypt, O Lord GOD.”



A Few More Verses Concerning the Inspiration of the Torah

- II Kings 14:6 “But the children of the murderers he slew not: according unto that which is written in the book of the law of Moses, wherein the LORD commanded, saying, The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, nor the children be put to death for the fathers; but every man shall be put to death for his own sin.”
- II Chronicles 34:14 “And when they brought out the money that was brought into the house of the LORD, Hilkiah the priest found a book of the law of the LORD given by Moses.”



A Few More Verses Concerning the Inspiration of the Torah

- II Chronicles 35:6 “So kill the passover, and sanctify yourselves, and prepare your brethren, that they may do according to the word of the LORD by the hand of Moses.”
- Daniel 9:11-13 “Yea, all Israel have transgressed thy law, even by departing, that they might not obey thy voice; therefore the curse is poured upon us, and the oath that is written in the law of Moses the servant of God, because we have sinned against him. 12 And he hath confirmed his words, which he spake against us, and against our judges that judged us, by bringing upon us a great evil: for under the whole heaven hath not been done as hath been done upon Jerusalem. 13 As it is written in the law of Moses, all this evil is come upon us: yet made we not our prayer before the LORD our God, that we might turn from our iniquities, and understand thy truth.”

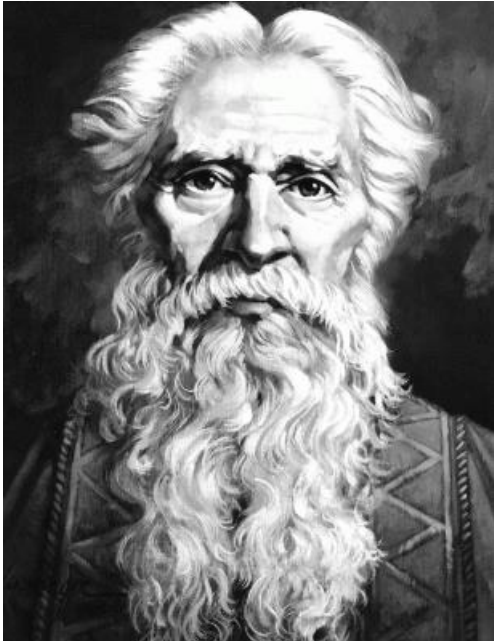


The Last Two Verses Concerning the Inspiration of the Torah

- Ezra 6:18 “And they set the priests in their divisions, and the Levites in their courses, for the service of God, which is at Jerusalem; as it is written in the book of Moses.”
- Nehemiah 13:1 “On that day they read in the book of Moses in the audience of the people; and therein was found written, that the Ammonite and the Moabite should not come into the congregation of God for ever;”

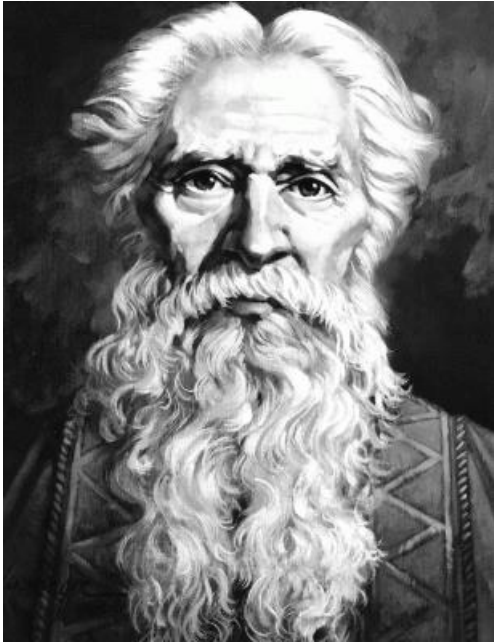


Direct Claims for the Inspiration of the Prophets (Nebhiim)



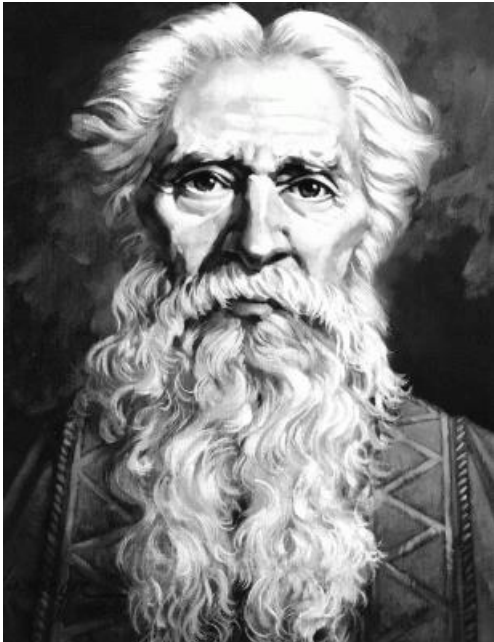
- The Former Prophets
 - Joshua 24:27 26 “And Joshua wrote these words in the book of the law of God, and took a great stone, and set it up there under an oak, that was by the sanctuary of the LORD. 27 And Joshua said unto all the people, Behold, this stone shall be a witness unto us; for it hath heard all the words of the LORD which he spake unto us: it shall be therefore a witness unto you, lest ye deny your God.”
 - I Kings 16:34 “In his days did Hiel the Bethelite build Jericho: he laid the foundation thereof in Abiram his firstborn, and set up the gates thereof in his youngest son Segub, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake by Joshua the son of Nun.”

Direct Claims for the Inspiration of the Prophets (Nebhiim)



- The Former Prophets
 - Judges 1:2 “And the LORD said...”
 - I Chronicles 29:29 “Now the acts of David the king, first and last, behold, they are written in the book of Samuel the seer, and in the book of Nathan the prophet, and in the book of Gad the seer,”

Direct Claims for the Inspiration of the Prophets (Nebhiim)



- The Latter Prophets
 - The phrase “thus saith the LORD” or its equivalent occurs over 3,800 times
 - Example: Isaiah 1:2,10; 8:1; 45:1; 50:1; Jeremiah 1:6-9; 2:1,2; 10:1,2; 11:1; Ezekiel 1:3; 2:7

Direct Claims for the Inspiration of the Writings (Kethubhim)

- 1. David- II Samuel 23:1
“Now these be the last words of David. David the son of Jesse said, and the man who was raised up on high, the anointed of the God of Jacob, and the sweet psalmist of Israel, said, 2 The Spirit of the LORD spake by me, and his word was in my tongue.”



Direct Claims for the Inspiration of the Writings (Kethubhim)

- 2. Solomon I Kings 3:9 “Give therefore thy servant an understanding heart to judge thy people, that I may discern between good and bad: for who is able to judge this thy so great a people? 10 And the speech pleased the Lord, that Solomon had asked this thing. 11 And God said unto him, Because thou hast asked this thing, and hast not asked for thyself long life; neither hast asked riches for thyself, nor hast asked the life of thine enemies; but hast asked for thyself understanding to discern judgment; 12 Behold, I have done according to thy words: lo, I have given thee a wise and an understanding heart; so that there was none like thee before thee, neither after thee shall any arise like unto thee.” (See Fulfillment in the Proverbs)
- Ecclesiastes 12:10 “The preacher sought to find out acceptable words: and that which was written was upright, even words of truth. 11 The words of the wise are as goads, and as nails fastened by the masters of assemblies, which are given from one shepherd.”

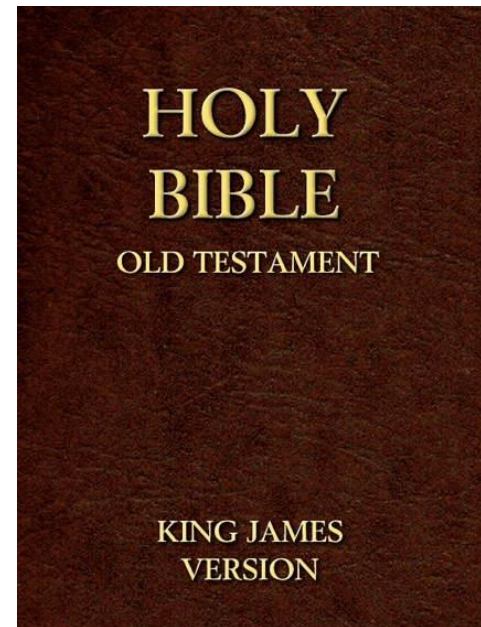


Direct Claims for the Inspiration of the Writings (Kethubhim)

- 2. Job 42:7 7 “And it was so, that after the LORD had spoken these words unto Job, the LORD said to Eliphaz the Temanite, My wrath is kindled against thee, and against thy two friends: for ye have not spoken of me the thing that is right, as my servant Job hath.”

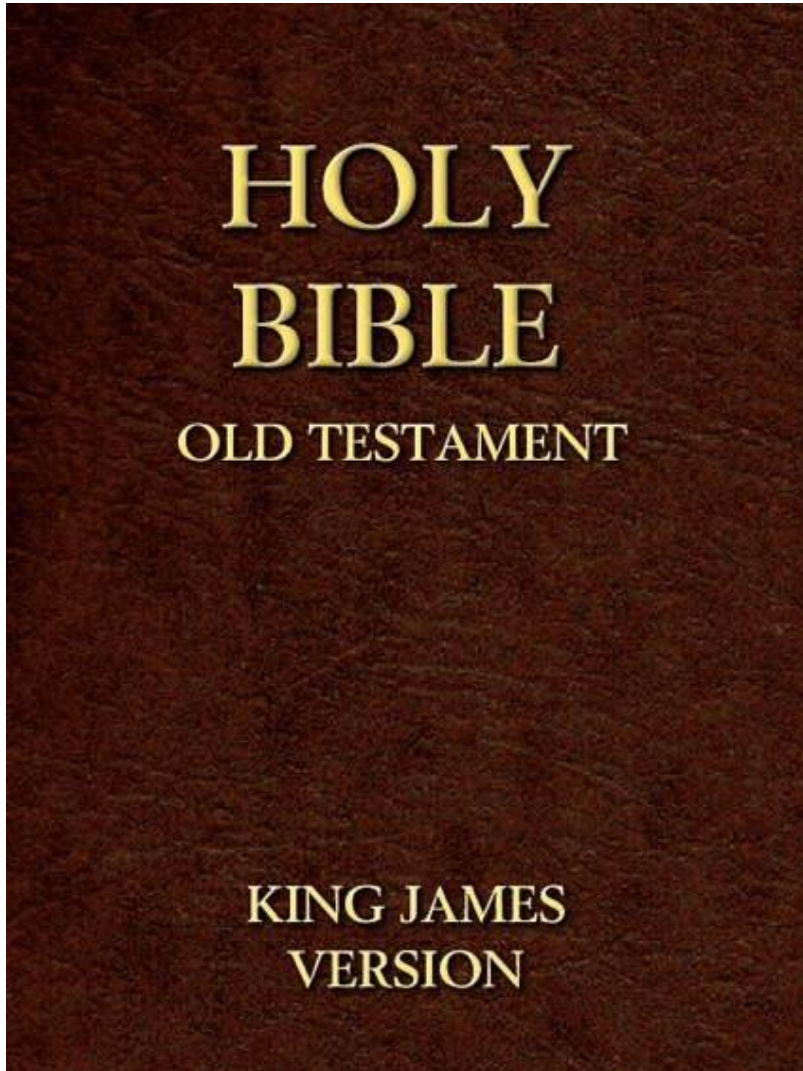


The New Testament Testimony for Old Testament Inspiration



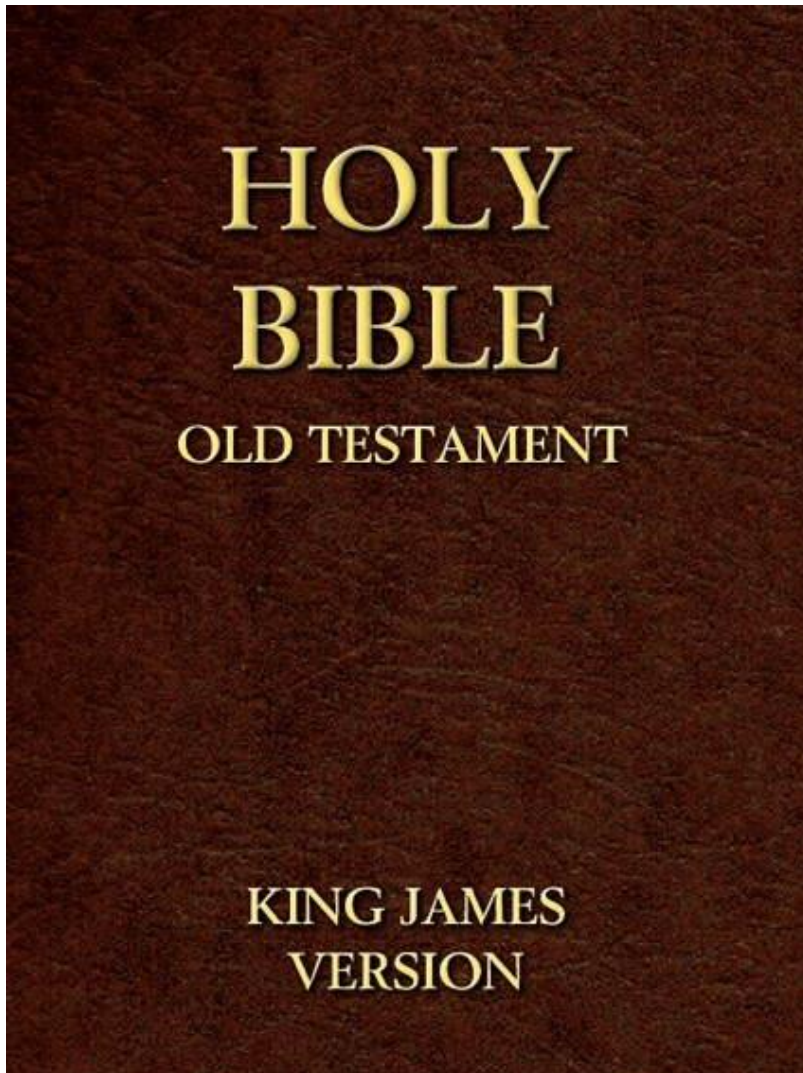
Perhaps the greatest testimony to Old Testament Inspiration is found in the New Testament. The New Testament is filled with quotations from the Old Testament, extolls the Old Testament as the Word of God, and accepts the Old Testament account as accurate and authoritative. There are 332 direct quotations and references to the Old Testament in the New Testament, and well over 1,000 partial quotes, paraphrases and allusions to the Old Testament in the New Testament.

The Old Testament As A Whole



- In their primary application verses such as II Timothy 3:16, John 10:35; Acts 17:11 and Hebrews 4:12 are referring to the Old Testament. Also see Mark 7:13
- Romans 15:4
“Whatsoever things were written before (the Old Testament)...the Scriptures...”

The Old Testament As A Whole



- Phrases in the NT such as:
 - the Scriptures (52 times)
 - “It is written” (133 times)
 - “that it might be fulfilled” (over 30 times)
 - And the “Oracles of God” (4 times)
- All Indicate the accepted, settled authority of the Word of God of the Old Testament as referenced by the New Testament

Specific Sections of the Old Testament

A. The Law (Torah)

- See Matthew 5:17,18; 7:12; 12:5; Acts 13:39; 24:14; I Corinthians 14:21; II Corinthians 3:15; Galatians 3:10; and Hebrews 10:28



Specific Sections of the Old Testament

B. The Prophets

- See Matthew 26:56:
Luke 1:70; 18:31; John
1:45; Acts 3:21; 7:42;
28:25; Hebrews 10:15-
17 with Jeremiah
31:33,34; Romans 1:2; I
Peter 1:11



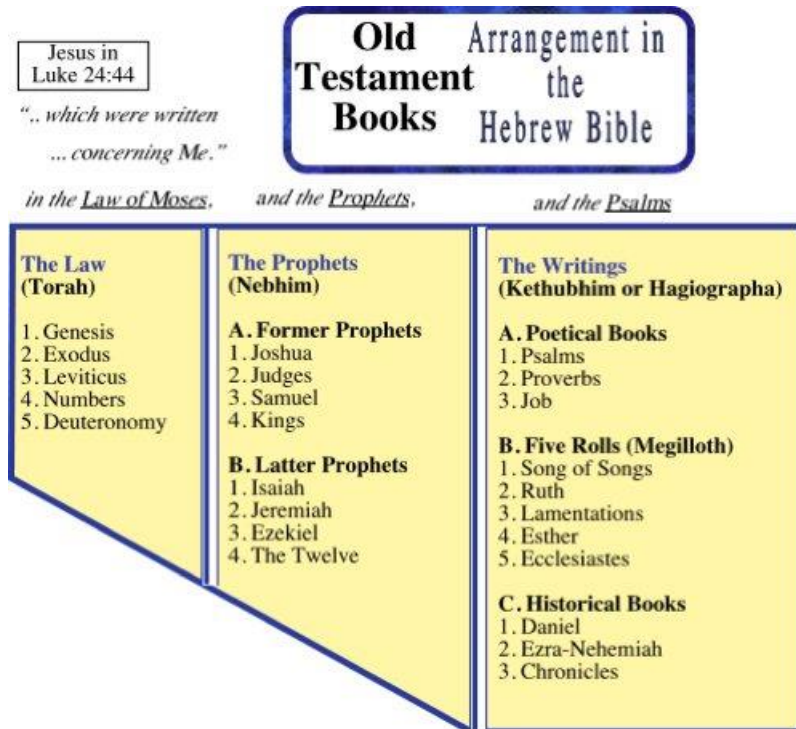
Specific Sections of the Old Testament

B. The Writings

- See Luke 24:44; Acts 1:16; 4:25; Matthew 22:43, 44
- Note the context of John 10:35 is a reference to Psalm 82:6

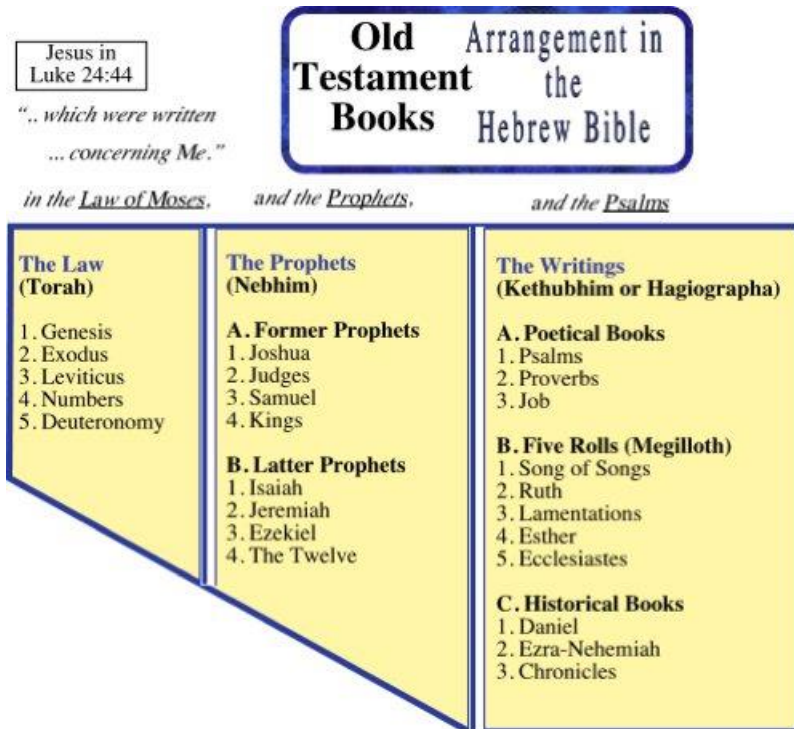


Specific Books of the Old Testament



- 20 of the 24 books in the Hebrew Old Testament (the same as our 39 books – they consolidate some books) are cited authoritatively in the New Testament.

Specific Books of the Old Testament



- Of the other 4 books (Judges-Ruth, Chronicles, Esther, and Song of Solomon) -
- The events of two of them (Hebrews 11:32; Matthew 23:25)
- And allusions to the other two are found (John 5:1; 4:10) are found in the New Testament.

The Testimony of Christ to the Inspiration of the Old Testament

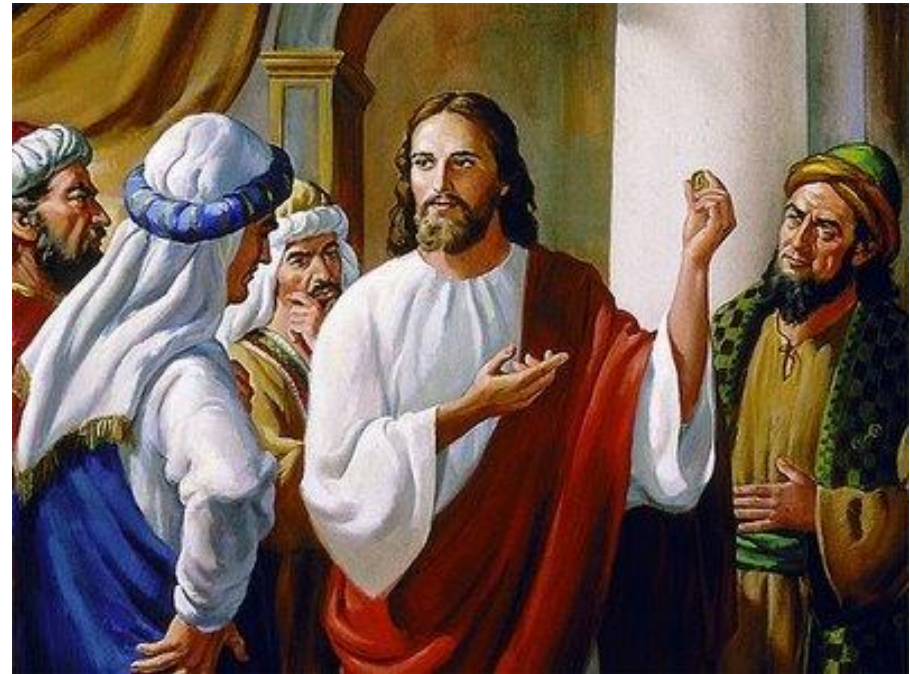
The LORD Jesus Christ accepted, believed, and taught that all of the Old Testament was the very Word of God.

Luke 24:25 “Then he said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken: 26 Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory? 27 And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.”

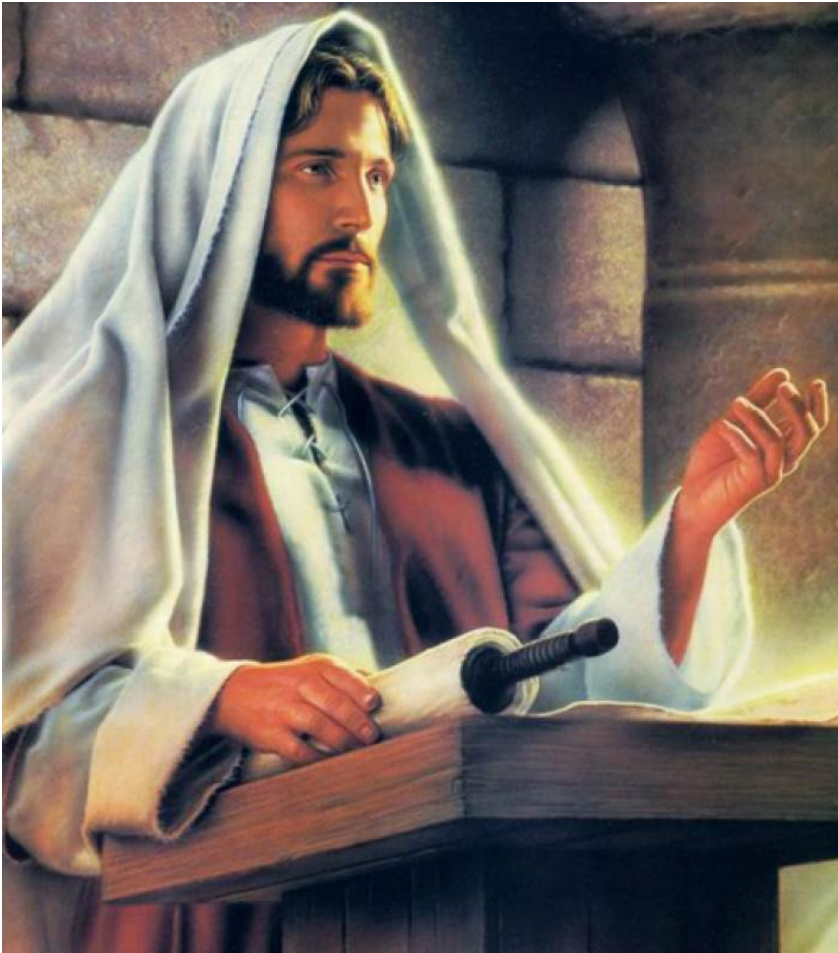


Eight Ways Christ Proved the Inspiration of the Old Testament

1. He quoted OT Verses frequently
2. He verified the Genesis account of Creation
3. He accepted the Genesis account of the Flood
4. He believed in the account of the judgment of Sodom and Gomorrah
5. He verified the story of Jonah
6. He often quoted Isaiah
7. He acknowledged the historicity of Daniel the Prophet
8. He taught and believed the divine inspiration and infallibility of the OT Scriptures

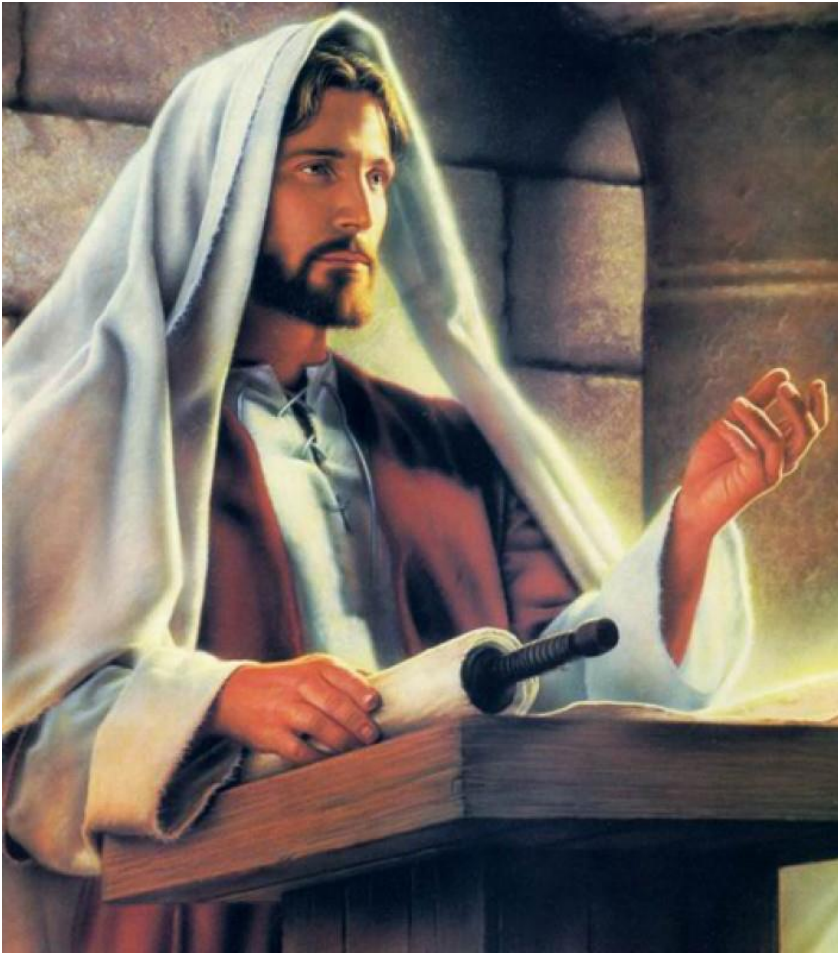


Christ and Christianity Stand or Fall with the Bible



- This one reason the Bible is so constantly and consistently attacked by Satan and all the enemies of God. Each of the points on the slide before have been attacked by “High Criticism” and if you can destroy the Bible you make Christ a liar!

Christ and Christianity Stand or Fall with the Bible



- See Matthew 6:29;8:4; 12:3,4,42; 19:5-7; 22:31-32; Mark 2:24-28; 7:10; 12:19,26; Luke 4:24-27; 11:51; 20:37; John 3:14; 6:32,49
- Christ began (Matthew 4:4) and ended (Luke 24:46) His public, earthly ministry with an **“It is written.”**

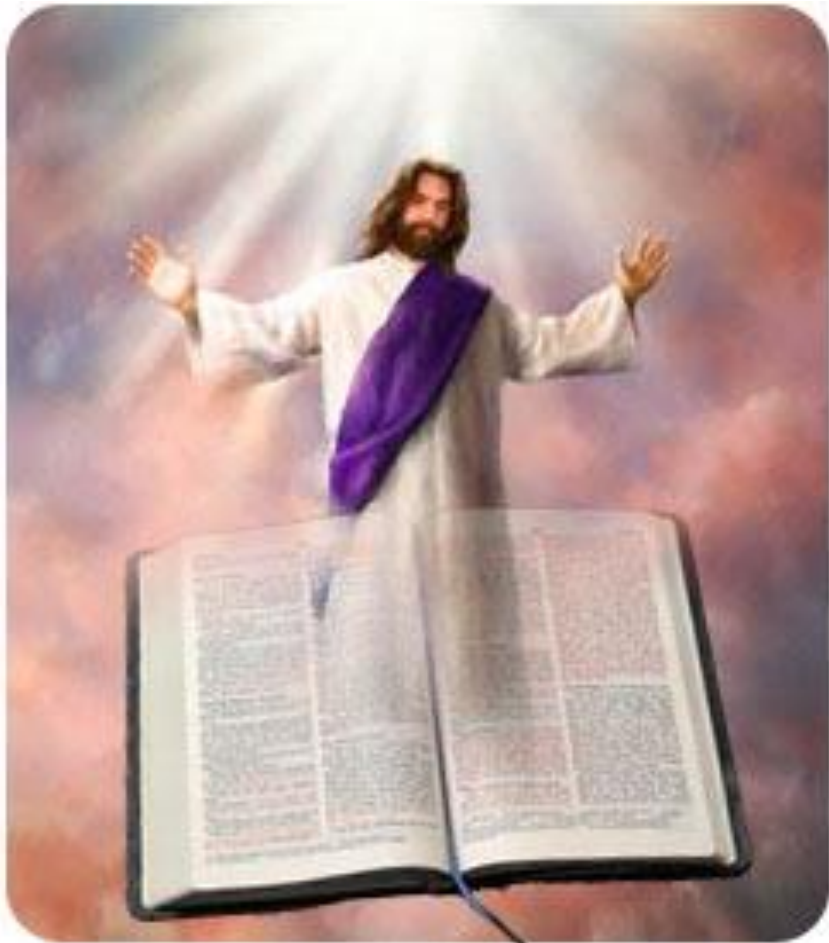
Inspiration of the New Testament

- Rests upon 3 factors
 1. The Promise of Christ
 2. The Internal Testimony of the New Testament
 3. The Claims of the New Testament



How firm a foundation, Ye Saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!

The Promise of Christ



Here is the Lord Jesus Christ's pre-authentication of the NT:

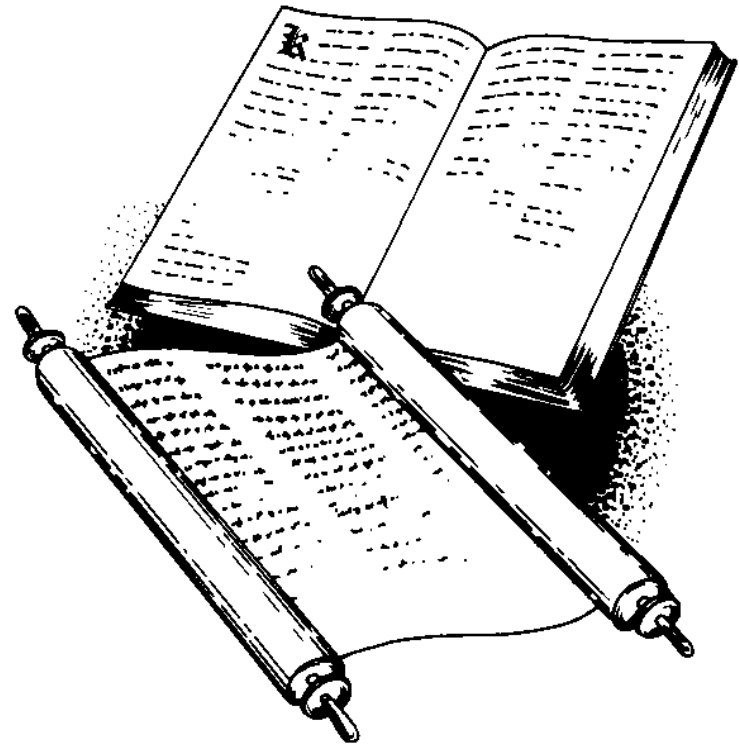
John 14:26 "But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you."

John 16:13 "Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. 14 He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you."

The Internal Testimony of the New Testament

Peter refers to the writings of Paul as “scripture”.

II Peter 3:15 “And account that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation; **even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you; 16 As also in all his epistles**, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, **as they do also the other scriptures**, unto their own destruction.”

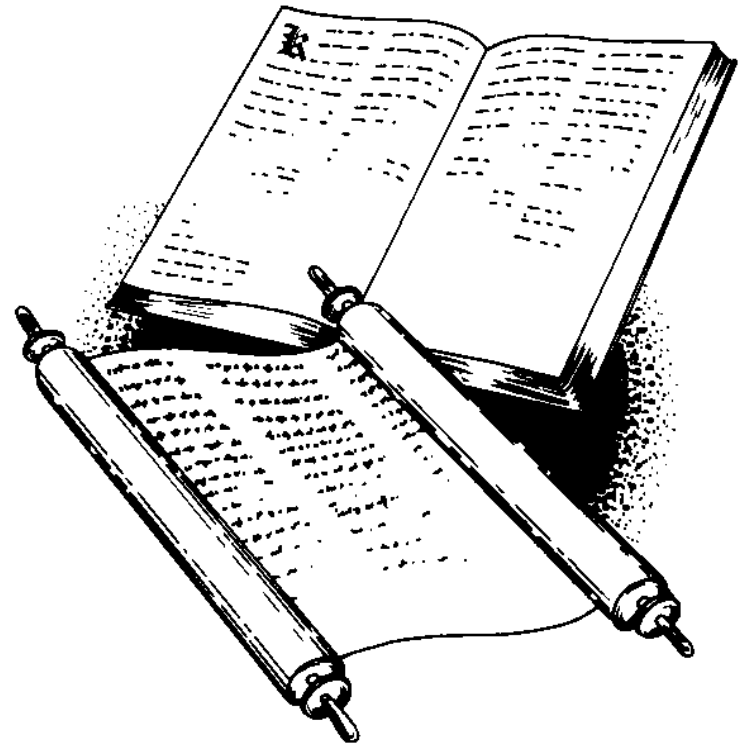


The Internal Testimony of the New Testament

I Timothy 5:18b quotes Luke 10:7 as Scripture:

I Timothy 5:18 “For the scripture saith, Thou shalt not muzzle the ox that treadeth out the corn. And, **The labourer is worthy of his reward.**”

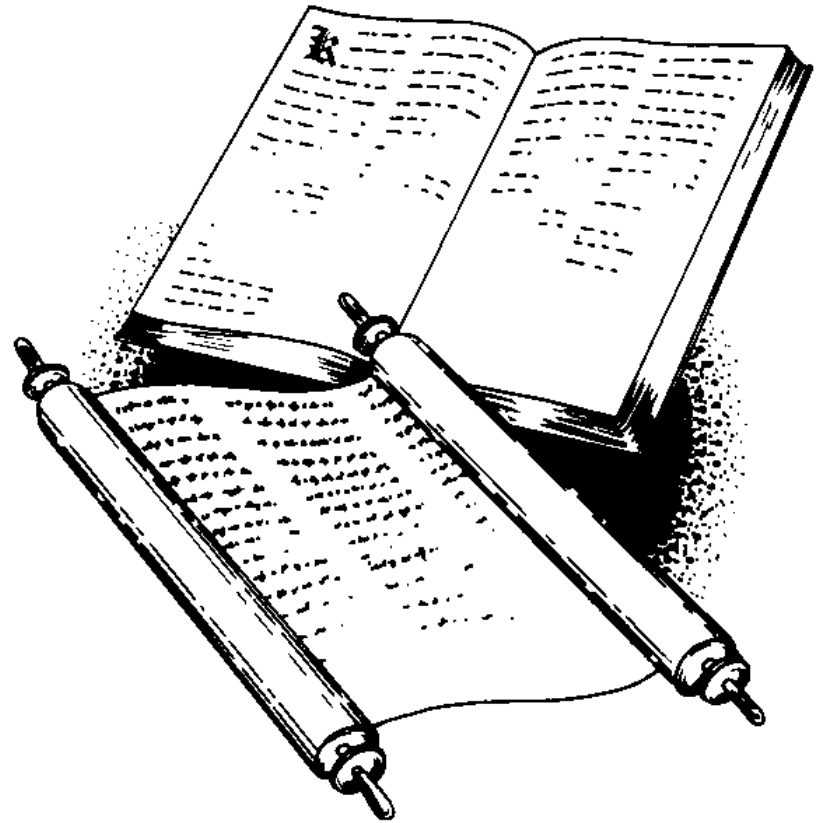
Luke 10:7 “ And in the same house remain, eating and drinking such things as they give: **for the labourer is worthy of his hire.** Go not from house to house.”



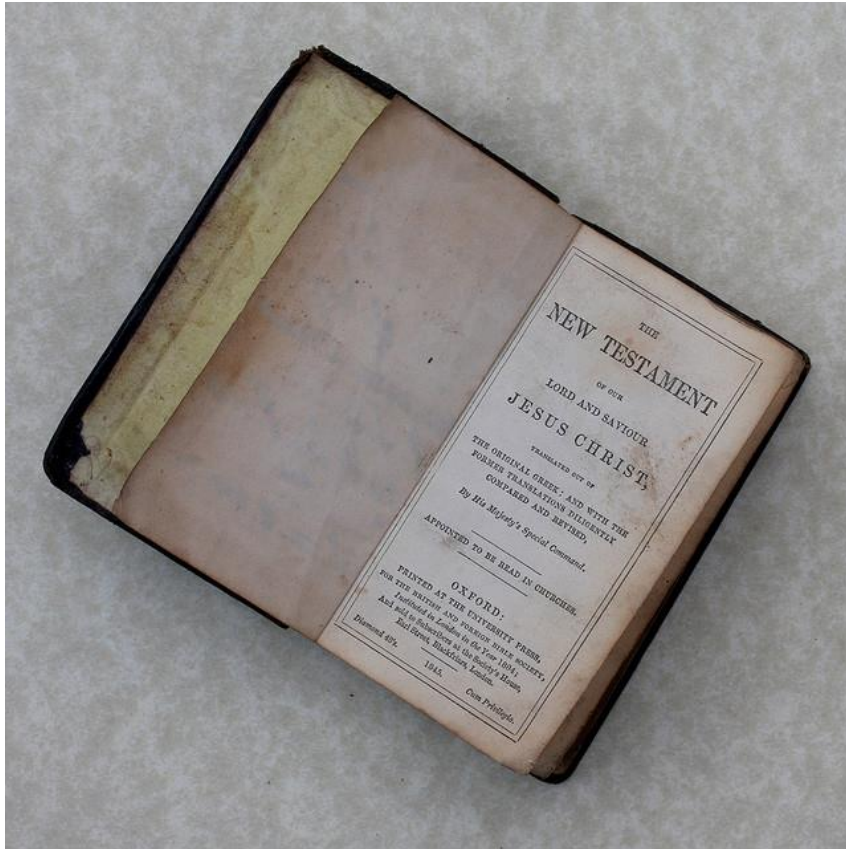
The Internal Testimony of the New Testament

All phases of the work of Scriptural transmission found in this passage: Ephesians 3:1-5 “1 For this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles, 2 If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you-ward: 3 How that by **revelation** he made known unto me the mystery; (**as I wrote** afore in few words, 4 Whereby, **when ye read, ye may understand** my knowledge in the mystery of Christ) 5 Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, **as it is now revealed** unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;”

1. Revelation v.3,5
2. Inspiration v.3
3. Preservation v. 4
4. Illumination v.4



The Claims of the New Testament



Luke 1:1-4 “perfect understanding”

Romans 16:26;

Galatians 1:12;

Ephesians 2:20; 3:3,5;

I Thessalonians 2:13;

I Corinthians 14:37c

I Timothy 4:11 with 13

Revelation 1:1

Evidences for Inspiration



The Internal Evidences for Inspiration

What do we mean by
INTERNAL evidence?

Testimony from
WITHIN the BIBLE
itself which testifies
to the INSPIRATION
and AUTHORITY of
the BIBLE.



Details of Events Beyond Human Knowledge

The Bible gives details of certain things that **ONLY** God could possibly know:

- Creation
- The Words of Satan
- What was in the heart of certain people



The Supernatural Unity of the Bible

Written on 3 Continents

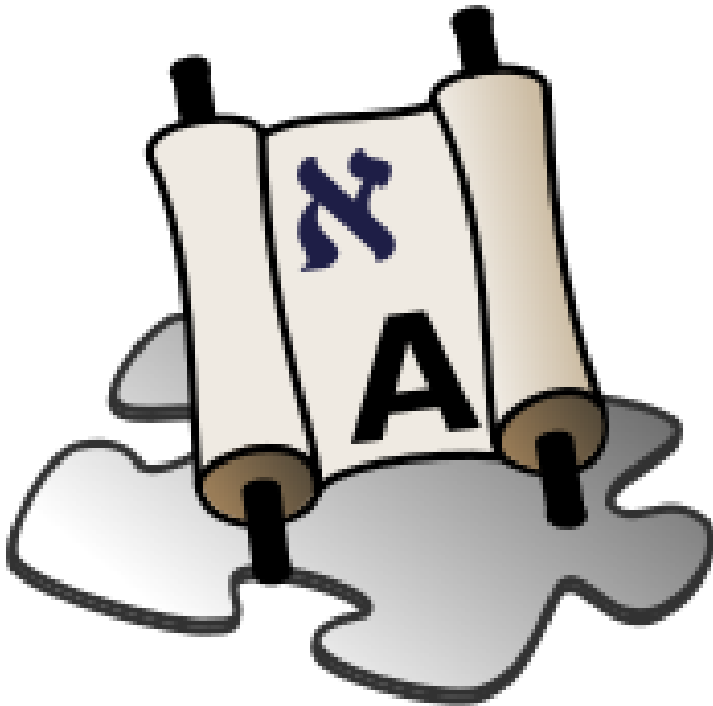
Over 1600 years

40 Generations

**Over 40 Authors with
varied backgrounds**

**Yet it has doctrinal and
structural unity!**

**There is one grand
theme and no conflict!**



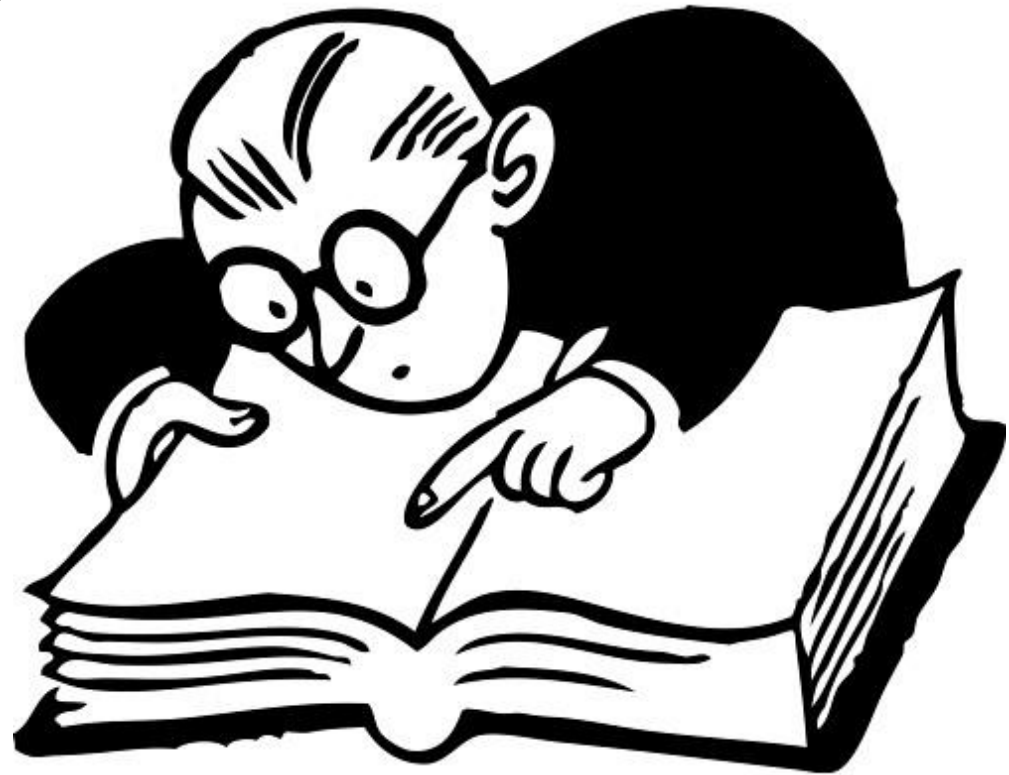
The Supernatural Doctrines of the Bible

Most of the doctrines of the BIBLE are CONTRARY to human nature, and would not have been written

IF

the Bible were merely man's book!

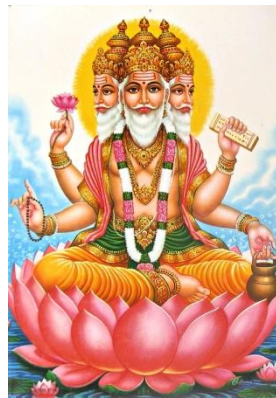
For example:



Theology – The Doctrine of God



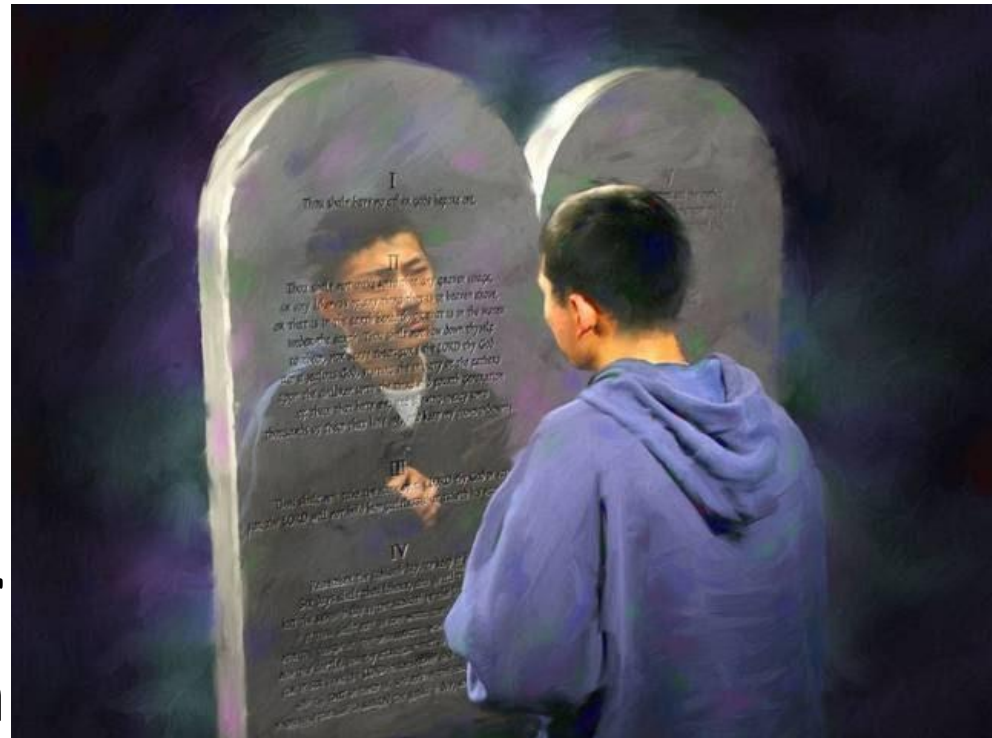
vs.



Compare the Bible's teaching of an infinite, sovereign, triune, almighty, holy, loving Person with the various deities concocted by fallen man. The God of the Bible transcends our intellect – we could not or would not have invented Him.

Anthropology – The Doctrine of Man

The Bible pictures man as base, vile, wicked, sinful, corrupt, and depraved. Even the hideous sins of David, God's man, are given. This is NOT the picture man has of himself nor would we have written it!



Hamartiology – The Doctrine of Sin



**Natural man
minimizes, ignores,
denies, or exalts SIN.
The Bible does the
opposite! That the
natural man hates
and denies hell
clearly makes the
Bible a book man
WOULD NOT write.**

Psychiatry, Man, and God on Sin

“Psychiatric Folksong”:

At three I had a feeling of
Ambivalence toward my brothers
And so it follows naturally
That I poisoned all my lovers.
But now I'm happy; I have learned
The lesson this has taught,
That everything I do that's wrong
Is someone else's fault
Anna Russell

Run, run and do," the Law commands,
But gives me neither feet nor hands.
Better news the gospel brings,
It bids me fly and gives me wings.
—Author unknown

Criminals who enjoyed sin
for a season but it ruined
them in the end.. James
Defoe, James Holmes, Ted
Bundy, and Jeffery Dalmer.

"Man calls sin an accident, God calls it an
abomination.

Man calls sin a blunder, God calls it a blindness.

Man calls sin a chance, God calls it a choice.

Man calls sin a defect, God calls it a death.

Man calls sin an error, God calls it enmity.

Man calls sin an infirmity, God calls it iniquity.

Man calls sin a fascination, God calls it fatality.

Man calls sin a luxury, God calls it leprosy.

Man calls sin a liberty, God calls it lawlessness.

Man calls sin a trifle, God calls it a tragedy.

Man calls sin a mistake, God calls it a madness.

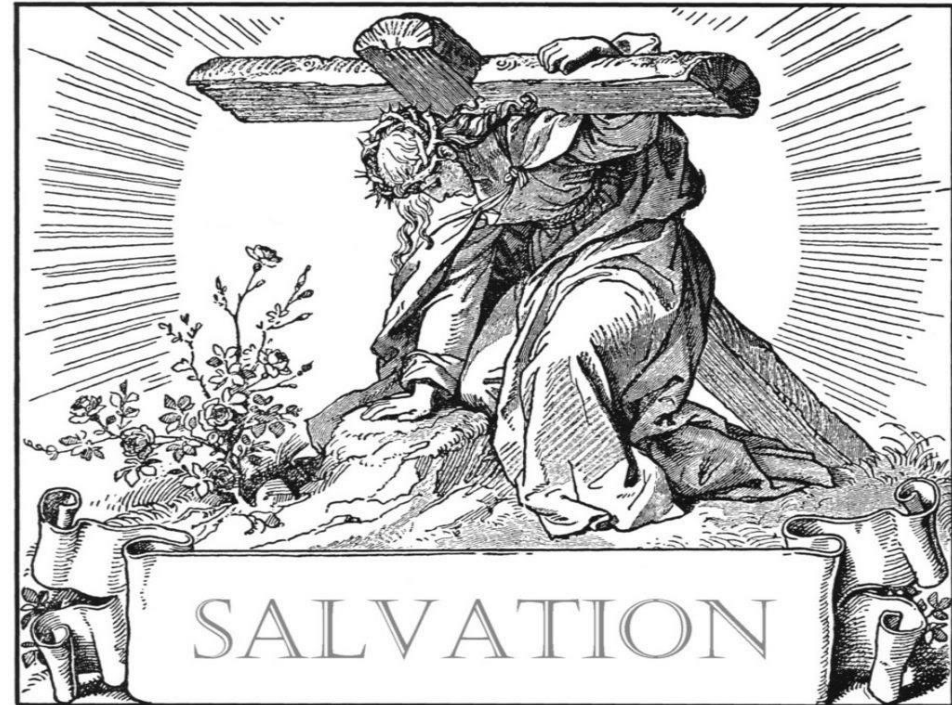
Man calls sin a weakness, God calls it willfulness"

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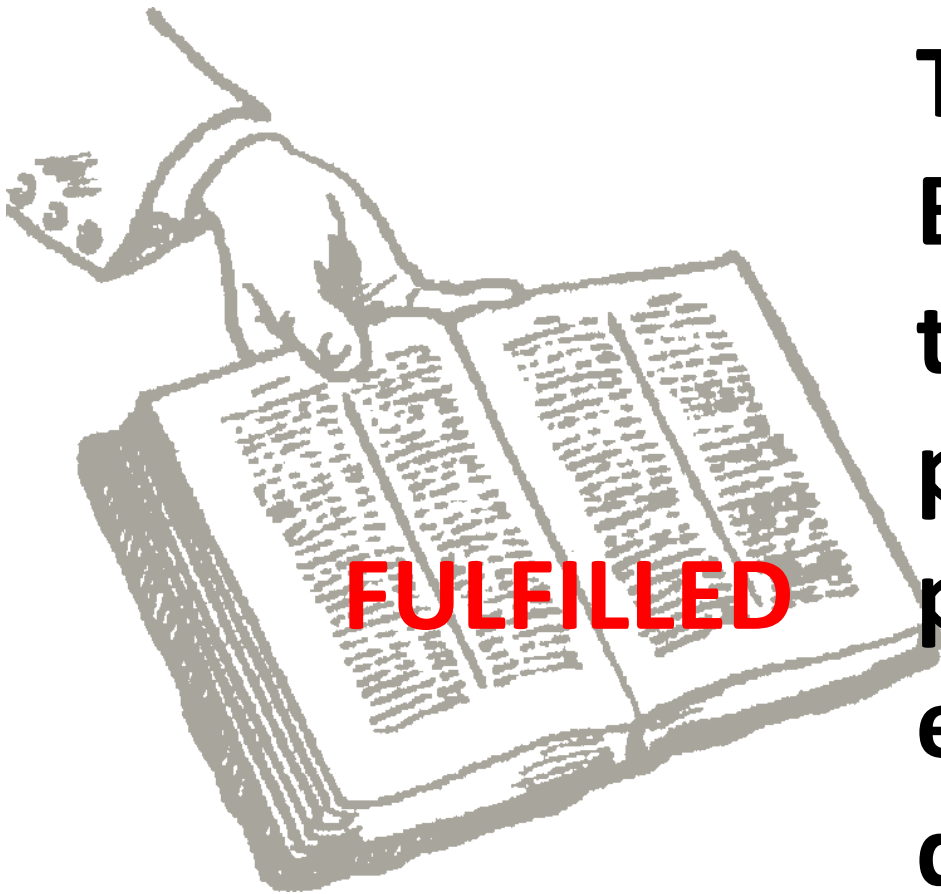


Soteriology – The Doctrine of Salvation

Fallen man seeks salvation through his works. If the Bible were a human book salvation would be through works. The Bible teaches salvation **ONLY** through the shed blood of the Son of God!



Fulfilled Prophecy

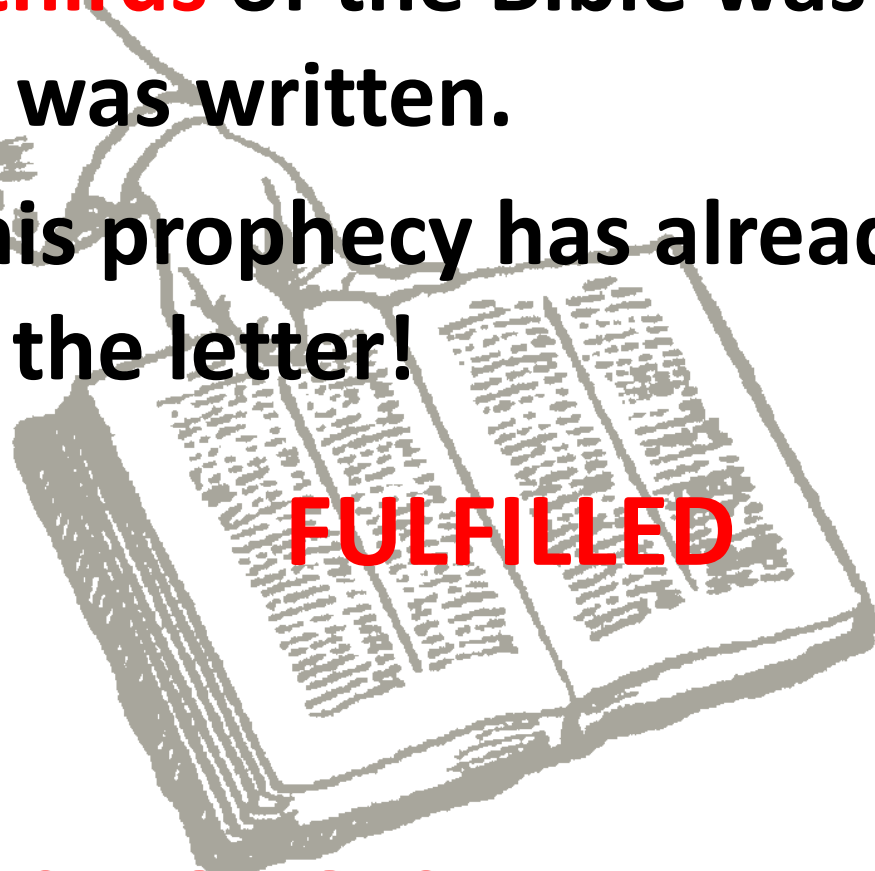


The Bible is the **ONLY** Book ever produced that is **FILLED** with predictions about people, places, and events which can be documented to have been literally fulfilled!

Fulfilled Prophecy

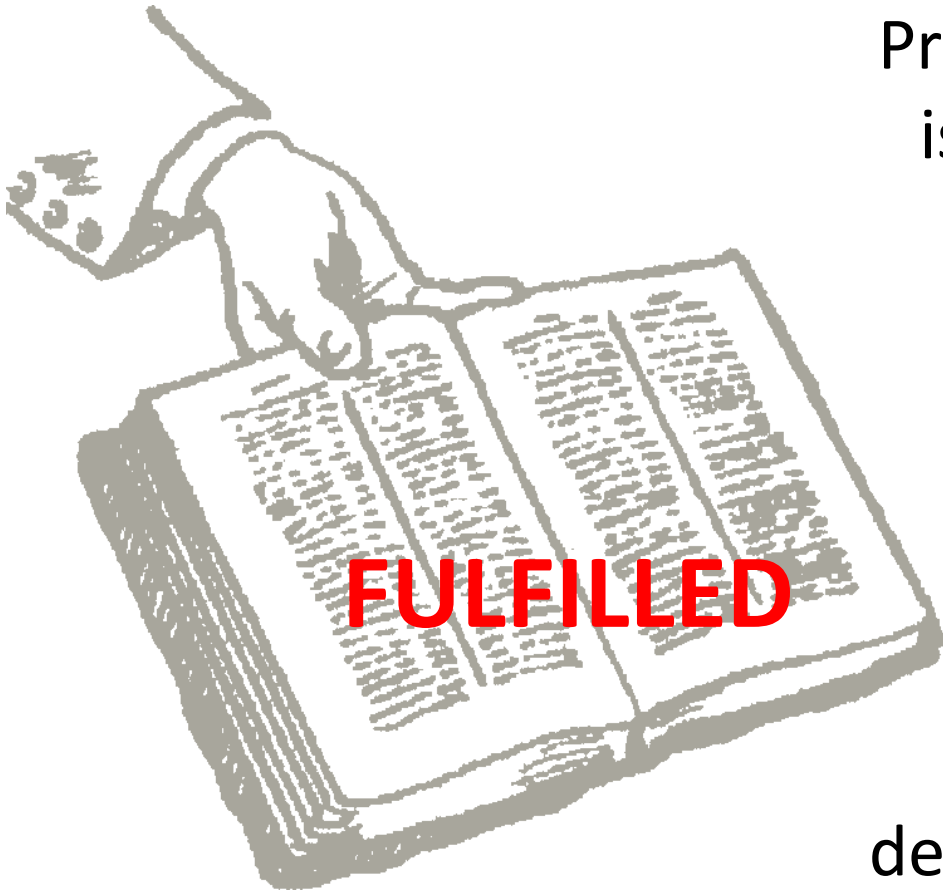
Over **two-thirds** of the Bible was prophetic at the time it was written.

Much of this prophecy has already been fulfilled to the letter!



This is **THE STRONGEST INTERNAL PROOF OF THE INSPIRATION OF THE BIBLE!**

Fulfilled Prophecy



Prophecy concerning the Messiah is a case in point. OVER 300 very specific prophecies concerning the birth, ministry, passion, death, burial, resurrection and ascension of the LORD Jesus Christ have ALREADY been fulfilled. In one day, His crucifixion, approximately 21 detailed prophecies were fulfilled. The statistical odds of this “just happening” are astronomical!

External Evidences for the Inspiration of the Bible

By external evidences we mean the things outside the BIBLE which bear witness to its INSPIRATION and AUTHORITY!

Let's look at just a few:



The Credibility of the Scripture



The Credibility of the Bible has to do with the TRUTHFULNESS of its narrative or its inerrancy.

Psalm 119:160 “Thy word is true from the beginning: and every one of thy righteous judgments endureth for ever.”

Making the Case to Unbelievers

We hold the Bible true!

But unbelievers need proof!

The Question: Is the Bible trustworthy?

The Test: Compare the Bible with **KNOWN** facts!



The Scientific Accuracy of the Scripture

FACTS AS STATED IN BIBLE	BIBLICAL REFERENCES	COMMON BELIEF OF DAY IN WHICH AUTHOR LIVED
Blood is essential to life.	Leviticus 17:11-14	Disease and spirits reside in blood. To cure disease, bleed patient.
Both male and female possess "seed of life."	Genesis 3:15; 22:18	Male has baby in him. Woman is incubator.
Eating blood of animals forbidden.	Leviticus 17:12, 14	Raw blood used as beverage.
Do not eat animals that died naturally.	Leviticus 17:15	No restrictions on manner of death.
Quarantine of certain diseases. Do not eat pork, scavengers (in Moses' day).	Leviticus 13-15 Leviticus 11	No isolation of diseased. No food restrictions.
Principles of avoiding bacterial contamination—one person to another.	Leviticus 15:19-33	No rules of hygiene or isolation.
Human waste products to be buried.	Deuteronomy 23:12-14	Human waste left on ground.
Human body can be opened for surgery.	Genesis 2:21	First operations done secretly because populace threatened doctors.
Burning clothes, washing self after contact with diseased man or animal.	Numbers 19:5-22	No recognition of contagion problem.
Earth is round, day and night taking place simultaneously.	Isaiah 40:22 Proverbs 8:27 Luke 17:34	Earth is flat.
Earth is not physically supported.	None mentioned and Job 26:7	Earth held up by four elephants or Atlas (a man), etc.
The North Pole is empty (our North Pole points out of the galaxy).	Job 26:7	Seeing a few stars to the North refuted this idea until 1932.
Space and stars are too large to measure.	Genesis 15:5 Jeremiah 33:22	Attempts to number the astronomical bodies went on until 1932.
The creation sequence—plants, water creatures, birds, man, in that order.	Genesis 1:11-28	Most had man first. All varied from correct concept.
The age of everything in the creation is the same.	Genesis 1:1	Different times from different objects.

The Bible does not claim to be a science textbook, although it is full of scientific truth. What is important to note is that what the Bible taught was contrary to established beliefs of its day and in total agreement with what we now know is scientifically true!

The Bible Gets Science Right!

The Bible offers many specific examples of amazingly accurate science, and science has uncovered many amazing evidences that the universe and earth are young, as the Bible describes.

Astronomy

Stars are innumerable ([Genesis 22:17](#); [Jeremiah 33:22](#))

Stars differ in glory ([1 Corinthians 15:41](#))

Stars follow a predictable pattern ([Jeremiah 31:35](#))

Earth is round, not flat ([Isaiah 40:22](#); [Psalm 103:12](#))

Earth hangs on nothing (not built on pillars) ([Job 26:7](#))

Scientific evidence of a young universe:

- 1) Spiral galaxies
- 2) "Missing" supernova remnants
- 3) Short-lived comets
- 4) Moon moving away from Earth

Geology

Water cycle ([Ecclesiastes 1:7](#); [Isaiah 55:10](#))

Sea currents ([Psalm 8:8](#))

"Fountains of the deep broken up" ([Genesis 7:11](#))

Scientific evidence of a young earth:

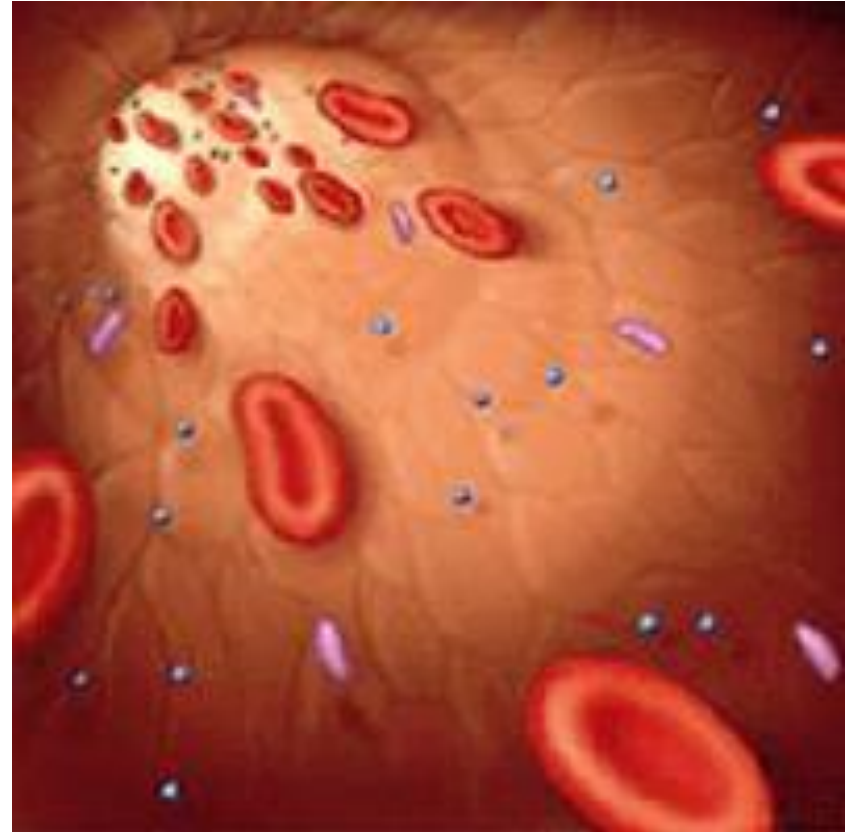
- 1) Continents erode too fast
- 2) Too much mud on the sea floor
- 3) Too much sodium in the ocean
- 4) Too rapid decay of earth's magnetic field

Biology

Blood circulation ([Leviticus 17:11](#))

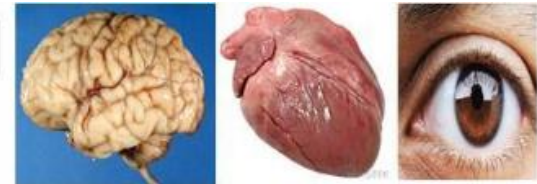
Scientific evidence of a recent creation:

- 1) DNA programming for irreducibly complex protein sequences
- 2) Lack of missing links in the fossil record
- 3) Dinosaur blood vessels in fossils



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GOD'S AMAZING CREATION THE HUMAN BODY

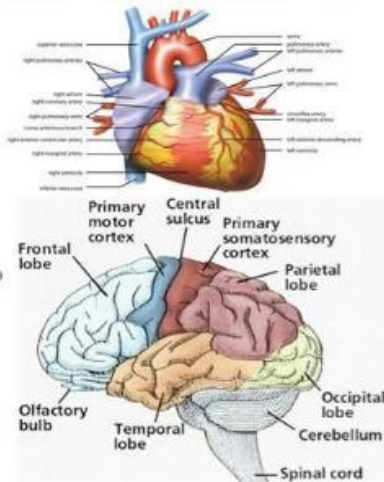
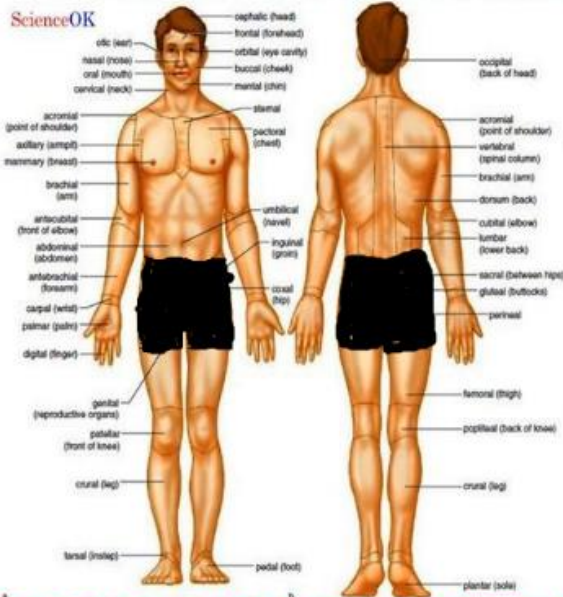


BRAIN

HEART

EYE

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Internal Organs of the Human Body

The brain is the command center of the central nervous system. It receives signals from all the body cells to the end organs, such as muscles and sensory organs. The brain is the base of emotion, memory, thought, and language.

The lungs are the main component of the respiratory system. They absorb oxygen and exchange gases, removing carbon dioxide from the blood and providing it with oxygen.

The heart pumps the body's entire volume of blood to and from the lungs using the right ventricle and left atrium and to and from all the organs using the left ventricle and right atrium.

The diaphragm is a vital role in breathing. As it contracts and relaxes, it helps draw air into the lungs or exhale. A large part of the rest of the lungs.

The liver, the largest internal organ, and gastroenterology and important functions related to digestion and metabolism. The liver produces bile, which helps break down food matter in the small intestine. Additionally, the liver helps regulate blood glucose levels, and produces plasma proteins.

The kidneys eliminate waste, filter blood, maintain fluid-electrolyte, and acid-base balance. The kidneys also produce hormones that regulate blood pressure, calcium, and red blood cell production. The kidneys also produce renin, which helps regulate blood pressure.

The spleen breaks down old red blood cells and antibodies, stores and filters blood, and produces antibodies and white blood cells. It also filters out bacteria and other foreign substances that enter the bloodstream. The spleen stores blood and produces cells, involved in immune response.

The gallbladder stores bile and releases it into the small intestine.

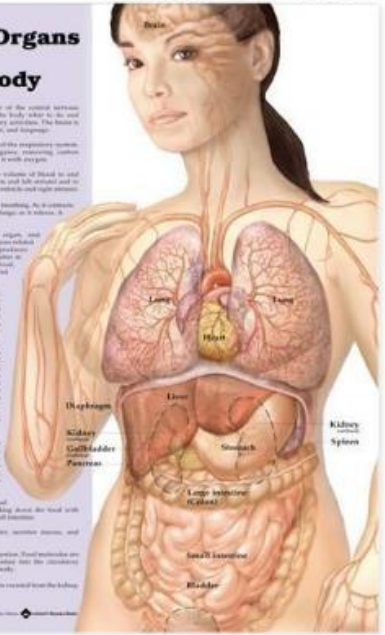
The pancreas produces the majority of pancreatic enzymes, such as amylase, lipase, and trypsin, which are used for digestion. The pancreas also produces insulin, the hormone that regulates blood sugar. The pancreas also produces bicarbonate, which is used to neutralize stomach acid.

The stomach's muscularis externa food and begins the digestive process, breaking down the food into smaller pieces and mixing it with the small intestine.

The large intestine absorbs water, sodium, potassium, and calcium from the remaining indigestible food matter.

The small intestine completes digestion. Small molecules are absorbed through the wall of the intestine into the circulation, and the rest is moved to the cells of the body.

The bladder stores urine that has been removed from the body.



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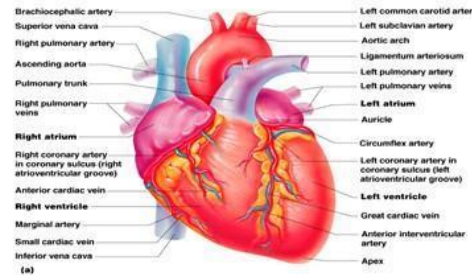
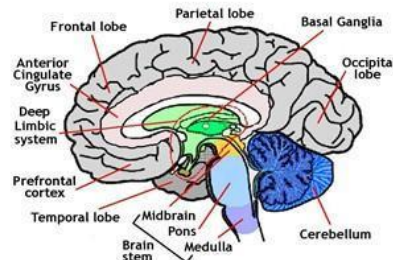
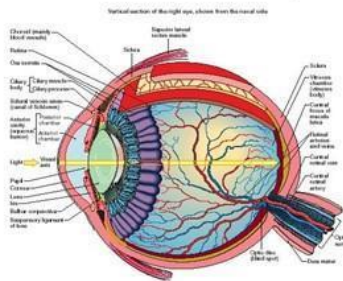
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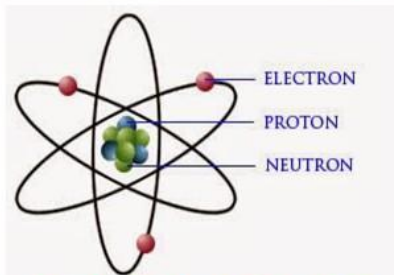
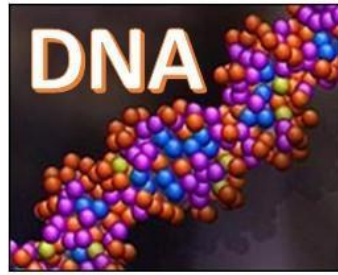
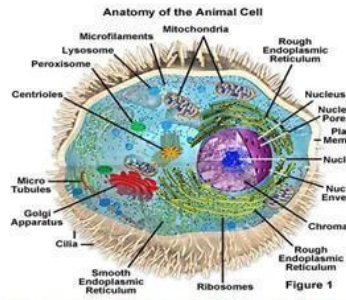
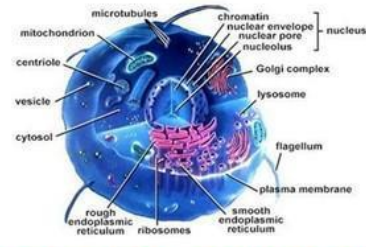
Psalm 145:10 (King James Version)

10 All thy works shall praise thee, O LORD; and thy saints shall bless thee.

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Human Cell Structure

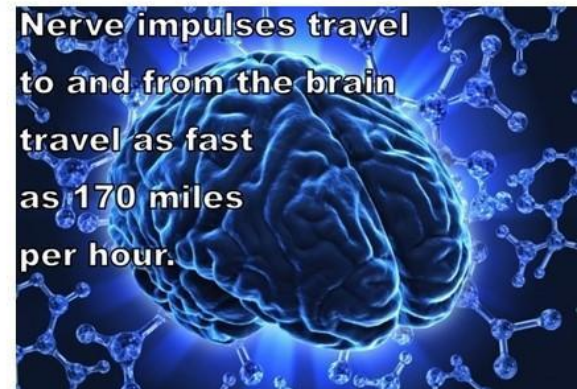
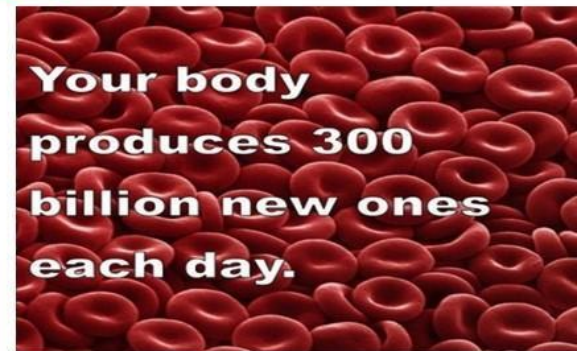
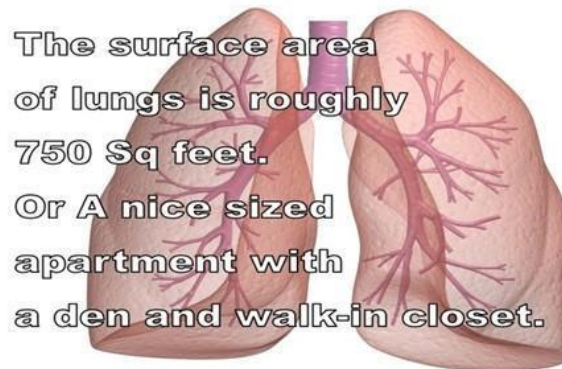
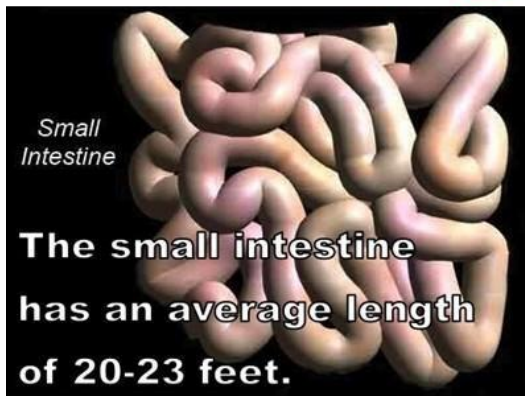


COMPLEXITY SHOWS GOD'S AMAZING CREATIONS

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THE AMAZING HUMAN BODY GOD CREATED



DID YOU KNOW?

The acid in the stomach is so strong that it will dissolve zinc.

AMAZING FACTS ABOUT HUMAN EYE

1. An average person blinks 12 times per minute
2. It is composed of more than 2 million working parts.
3. Our human eye is 576 mega pixel !!!
4. Corneas are the only tissues that don't require blood.
5. It can process 36,000 bits of information every hour.
6. The eyeball of a human weighs approximately 28 grams.
7. It is impossible to sneeze with eyes open
8. About 10,000 blinks/day



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The Brain in Your Gut

The gut's brain, known as the enteric nervous system, is located in sheaths of tissue lining the esophagus, stomach, small intestine and colon.

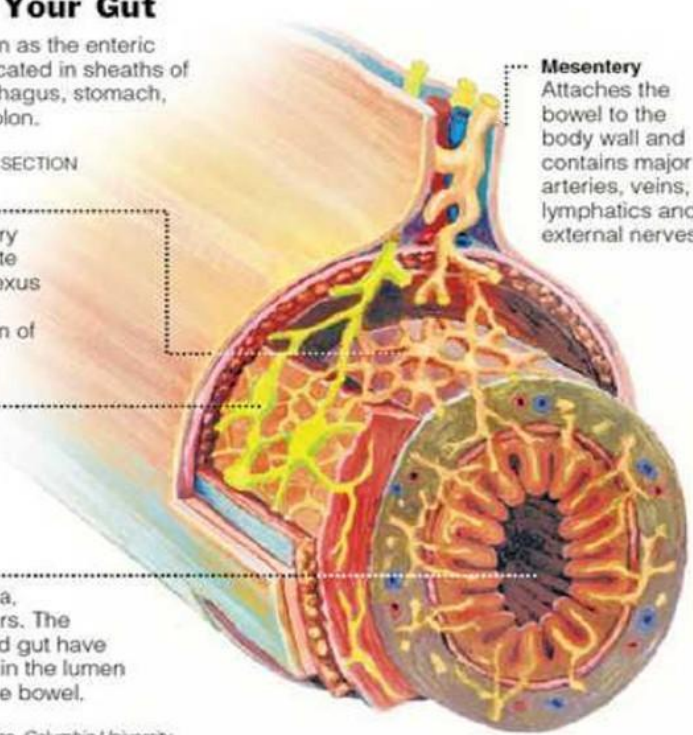
SMALL INTESTINE CROSS SECTION

Submucosal plexus Layer contains sensory cells that communicate with the myenteric plexus and motor fibers that stimulate the secretion of fluids into the lumen.

Myenteric plexus Layer contains the neurons responsible for regulating the enzyme output of adjacent organs.

Lumen No nerves actually enter this area, where digestion occurs. The brains in the head and gut have to monitor conditions in the lumen across the lining of the bowel.

Mesentery Attaches the bowel to the body wall and contains major arteries, veins, lymphatics and external nerves.



Source: Dr. Michael D. Gershon, Columbia University

You could remove the stomach, the spleen, one kidney, 80% of the intestines and 75% of the liver and still be able to survive.

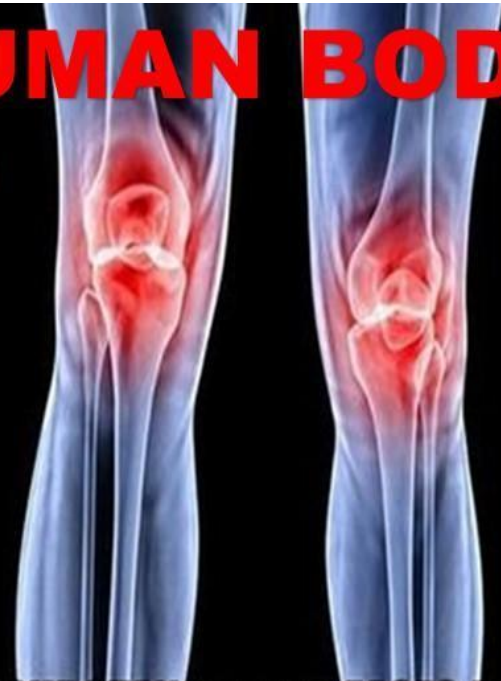


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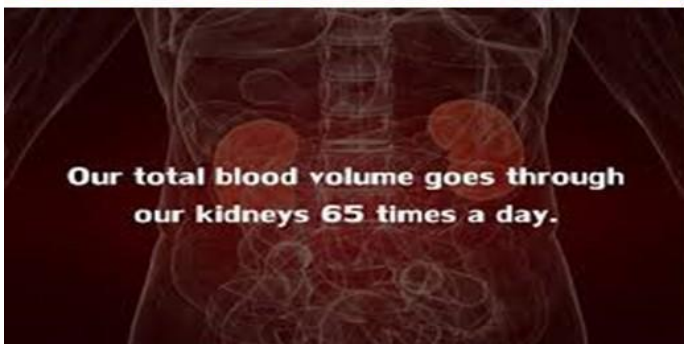
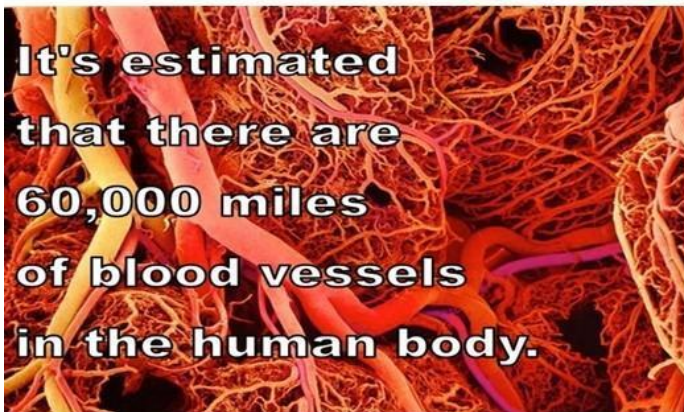
There are 206 bones in the adult human body and nearly 300 in children, as we grow some of the bones join together.



**SYNOVIAL FLUID IS THE SUBSTANCE THAT EASES JOINT
MOVEMENT, ALSO THE MOST SLIPPERY SUBSTANCE KNOWN TO
MAN**

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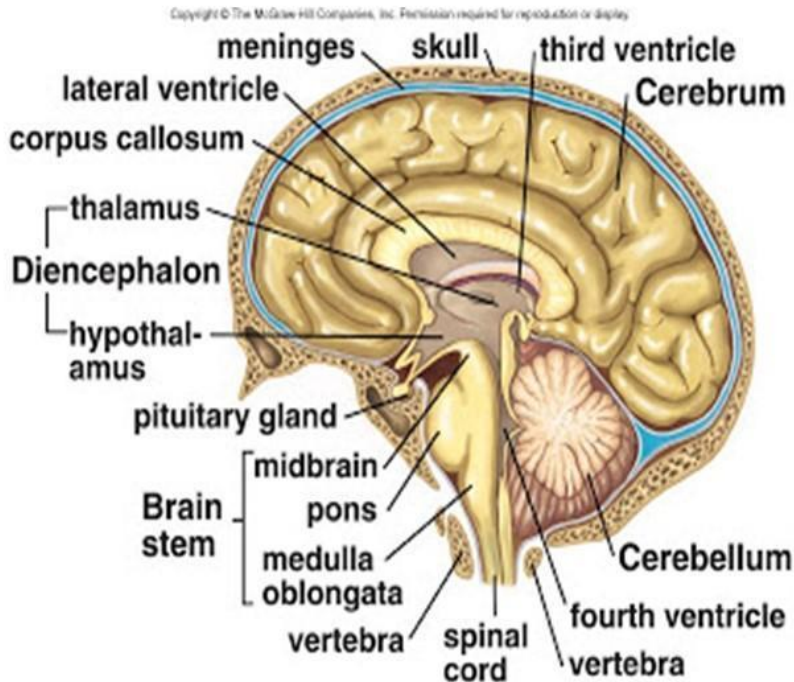
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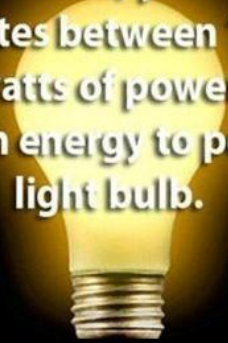


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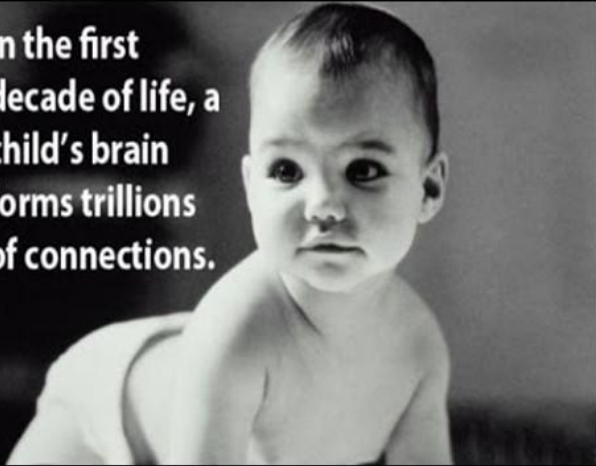
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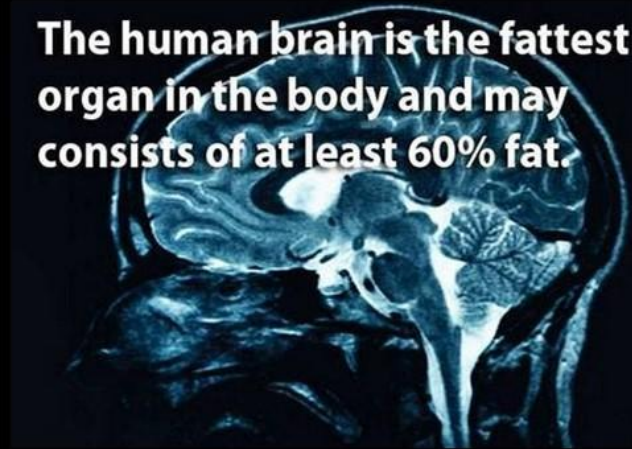
While awake, your brain
generates between 10 and
23 watts of power—or
enough energy to power a
light bulb.



In the first
decade of life, a
child's brain
forms trillions
of connections.



The human brain is the fattest
organ in the body and may
consist of at least 60% fat.

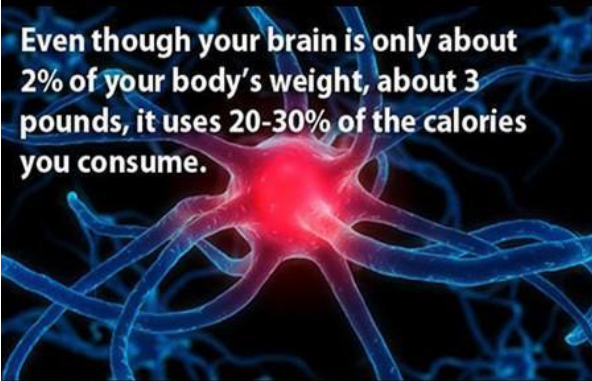


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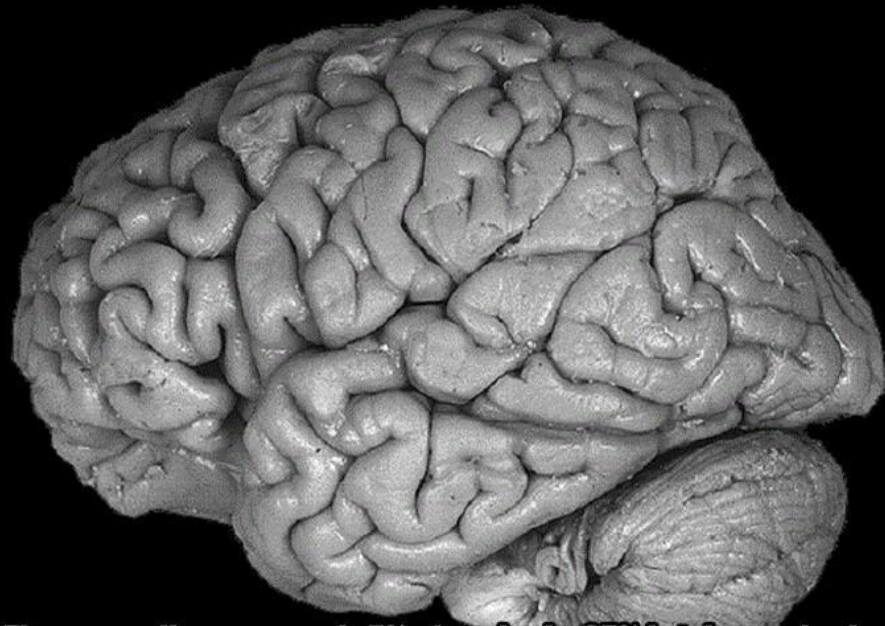
Even though your brain is only about 2% of your body's weight, about 3 pounds, it uses 20-30% of the calories you consume.



The human brain (when awake) produces enough electricity



to power
a 40 watt lightbulb for 24 hours.



The grey cells occupy only 5% of our brain. 95% is taken up by the communication network that runs between the grey cells.

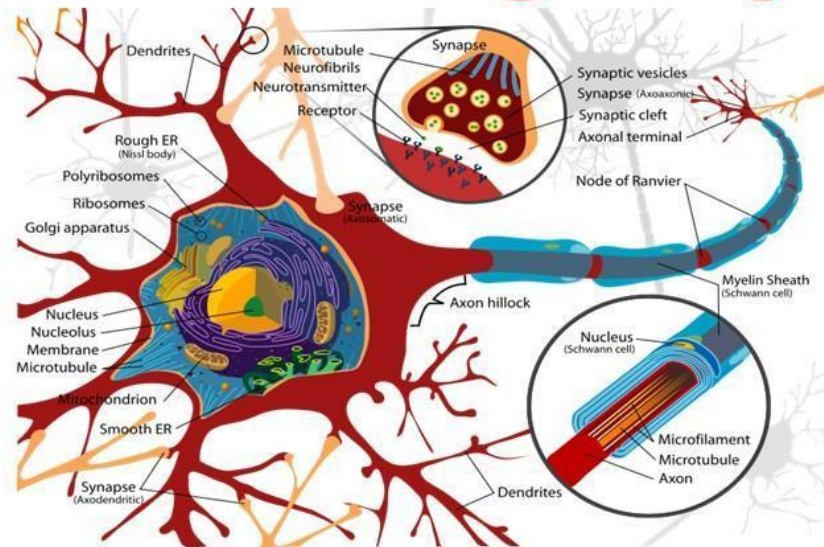
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**There are more cells in your
body than stars in the galaxy**

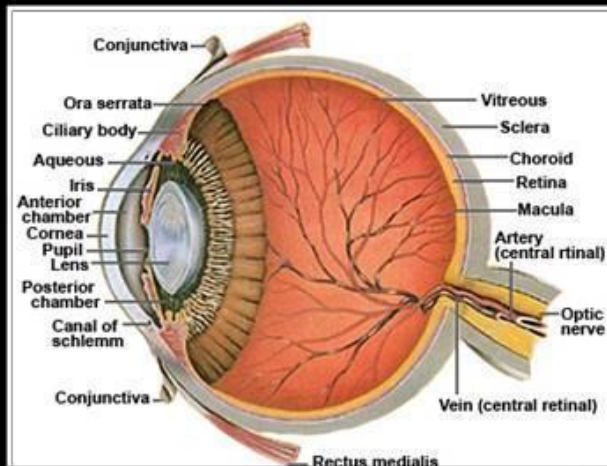
Your entire body is made up of around 75 trillion cells. When you compare this to the 400 billion stars in our galaxy – you are made of 75,000,000,000,000 cells !



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THE HUMAN EYE



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Tremors ó the tiniest and probably the most intriguing of these movements, continuously and rapidly wobble your eyeball about its center in a circular fashion. They cause the cornea and retina (front and back) of your eyes to move in circles with incredibly minute diameters of approximately 1/1000 (.001) of a millimeter, or .00004 inch.

This size is about 70 times smaller than the thickness of a piece of paper. Carefully look at a piece of paper, edge on, then try to imagine 70 circles of the same diameter



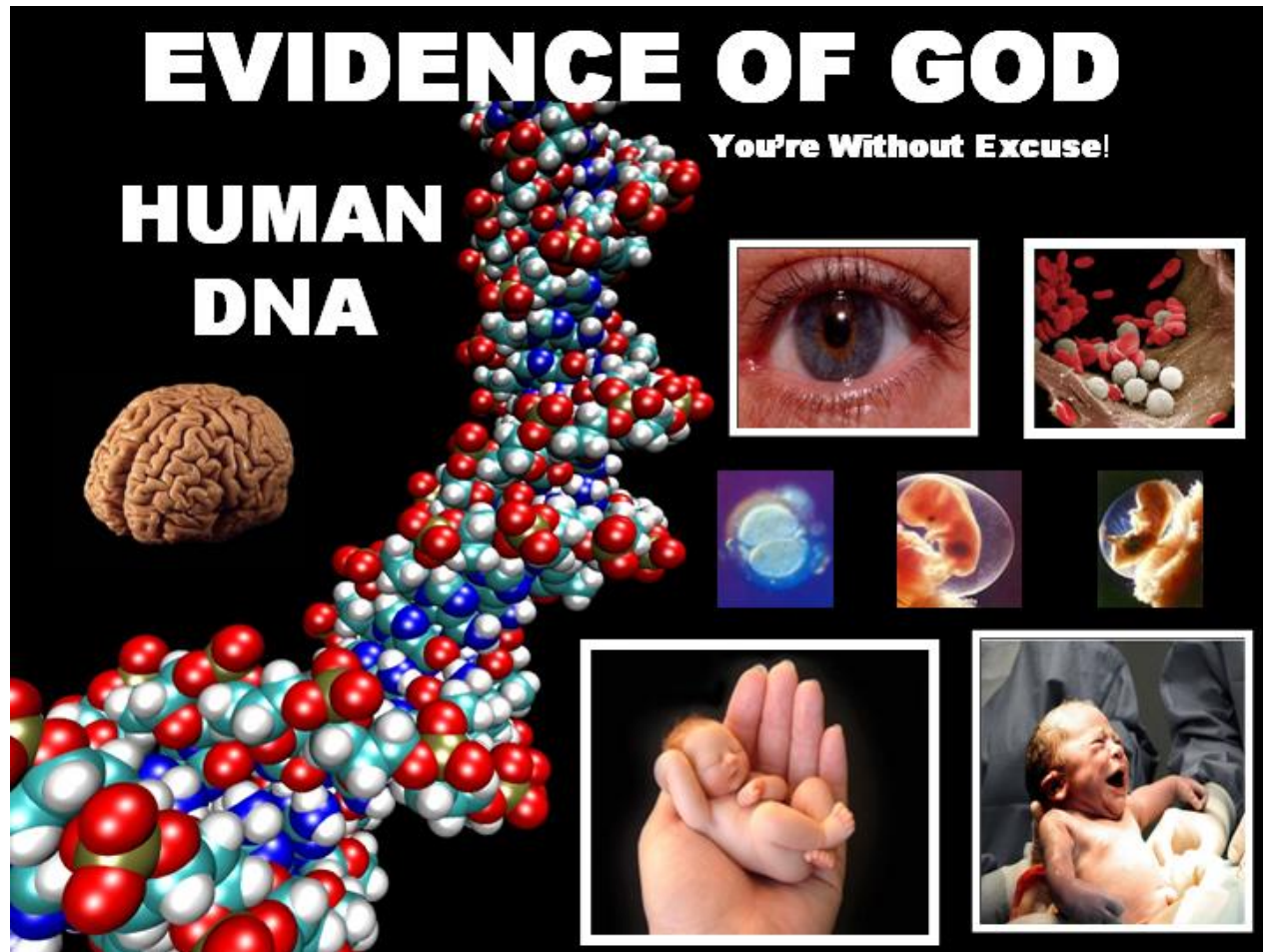
(touching and placed in a row straight across the thickness of the paper. If you can do that, you will have a feel for the minuscule nature of the tremors along with some appreciation for the Creator who has demonstrated His capacity for designing such a thing.

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Just Quick Look at the DNA

EVIDENCE OF GOD
You're Without Excuse!

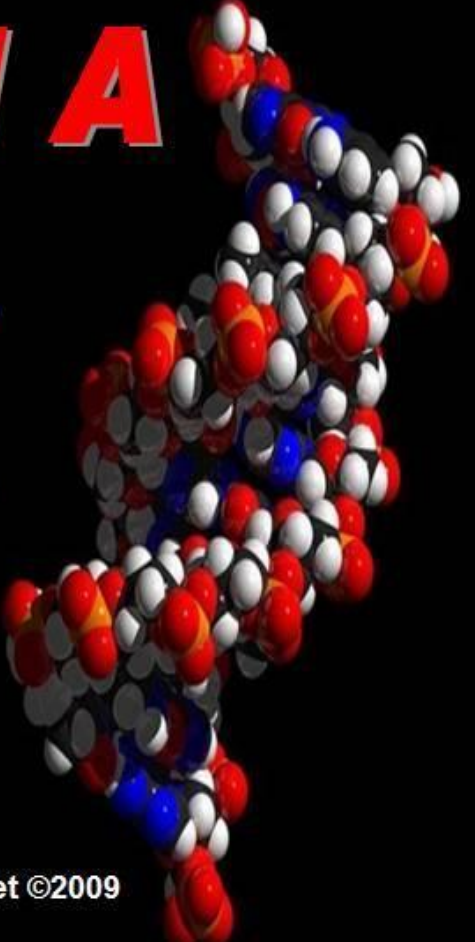
**HUMAN
DNA**



The image is a composite graphic with a black background. On the left, a large 3D model of a DNA double helix is shown, composed of red, white, and blue spheres. To its left is a realistic image of a human brain. On the right side, there are seven small inset photographs arranged in a grid-like fashion. The top row shows a close-up of a human eye and a nest containing several red and white pills. The middle row shows three images of early-stage embryos: a zygote, a fetus, and a developing embryo. The bottom row shows a newborn baby being held in a hand and a crying newborn baby.

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Just Quick Look at the DNA



DNA

For DNA to create a blue Print of you,
DNA had to exist before you did.
Therefore, there was a Creator who
developed and created the code needed to
make Every Human “Special” unlike any
other human.

FINGER PRINTS: No Human from the very
Beginning of time ever has had nor never
will have an identical fingerprint that
matches any other human since the
beginning of time.

Therefore, as stated in the Bible, it says:

In the Beginning....God Genesis 1:1

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Just Quick Look at the DNA

DNA Deoxyribo Nucleic Acid

DNA is the "blueprint" of life.

1. If all the DNA in your body was put end to end, it would reach to the sun and back over 600 times (100 trillion times six feet divided by 92 million miles).
2. It would take a person typing 60 words per minute, eight hours a day, around 50 years to type the human genome.
3. If all three billion letters in the human genome were stacked one millimeter apart, they would reach a height 7,000 times the height of the Empire State Building.
4. If unwound and tied together, the strands of DNA in one cell would stretch almost six feet but would be only 50 trillionths of an inch wide.
5. There's an estimated 3 billion DNA bases in our genome.
6. One million bases (called a megabase and abbreviated Mb) of DNA sequence data is roughly equivalent to 1 megabyte of computer data storage space.



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The Bible was Way Ahead of Science



On the Importance of the Blood

On Earth's position in space

On the number of stars

On the manner of animal reproduction

On other planets

On air having weight

On ocean currents

An Important Note

The Bible is not written in a language of scientific empiricism. It was written in the everyday speech of men to reach all men. Even scientists use phrases like sunrise and corners of the earth, just as the Bible does, not because they are accurate but because men understand them clearly!



The Archaeological Trustworthiness of the Bible

Without question the greatest evidence for the accuracy and inspiration of the Scriptures come from the spade of the Archaeologists. No archaeological discovery has ever contradicted God's Word. In fact, they support the Bible.

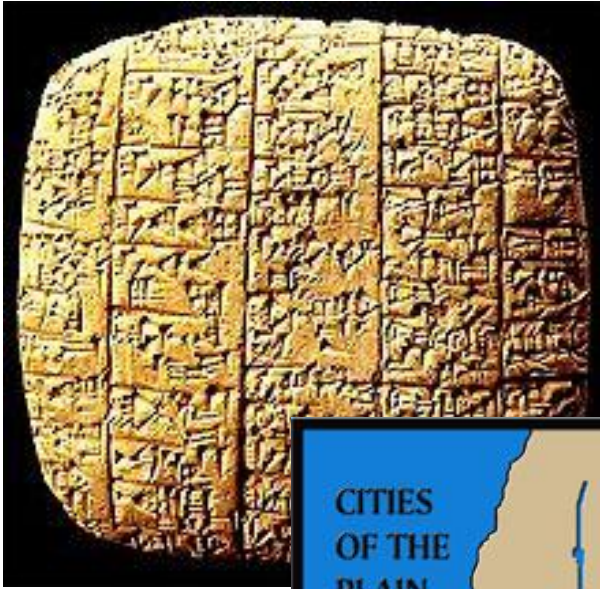


Topographical Trustworthiness

Topography = the layout of the Land
– Bible places should be where they are said to be and times taken on journeys should match.



The Elba Tablets (1968)



- Existence of 5 cities in Genesis 14 was doubted in until the tablets were discovered.
- The tablets even list the cities in the Biblical order!



Map of the Five Cities of the Plain.

Geographical Trustworthiness

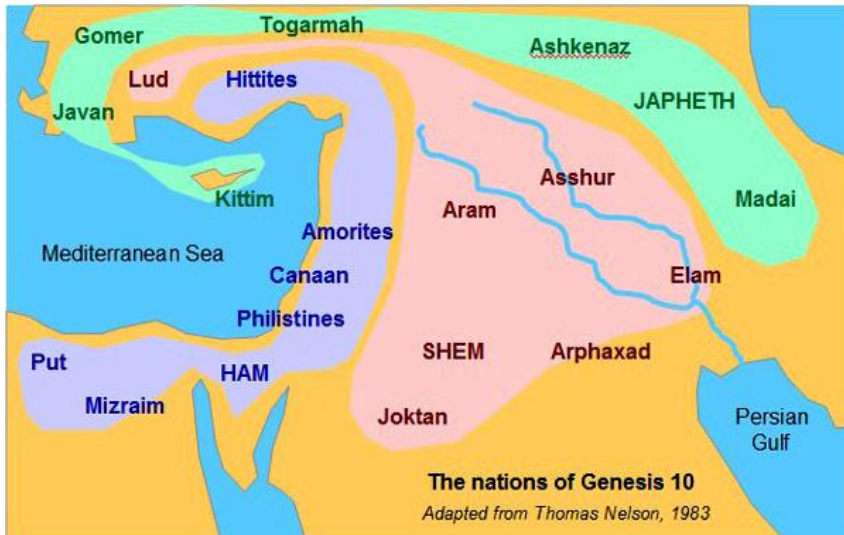
Any visitor to the Holy Land will find everything in the Bible just where God says it is!

I.e. The Plain of Jezreel or Megiddo – “the greatest natural battlefield ever” (Napoleon) is located in a vital strategic place just as God said.



Ethnological Trustworthiness

Genesis 10 is clearly confirmed in the outward movement of humanity after the flood. Archaeology has confirmed the civilization Abram left in Ur and the picture of Egypt laid out in Moses' writings. It all fits!



Chronological Trustworthiness

Archaeology has confirmed many important details concerning chronological events detailed in the Bible such as the census of Caesar Augustus, the procedures for it, and the other leaders cited in the Nativity story.



Historical Trustworthiness



Many of the events in the Bible are confirmed by inscriptions and monuments in various nations.

Belshazzar of Babylon
Jews in Egypt

Outward collapse of the
Walls of Jericho

Hebrews Making Mud Bricks

Tomb Of Rekhmire the Vizier
in Thebes (Luxor: tomb TT100)
Dated to Thutmosis III



The Life-Changing Power of the Bible



The Inexhaustible Treasures of the Bible

Psalm 19:10; 119:162



Unlike any other book, the more the Bible is read, the more it reveals. Every week, thousands of sermons are preached, scores of books come out – all proclaiming the unsearchable riches of Christ.

The Honored Promises of the Bible

Anyone who follows what the Bible says, receives what the Bible promises.

See Joshua 1:8



The Inability of the Unsaved to Understand the Bible



Unlike all other books there is absolute inability of the lost to understand most of the Bible. “The natural man receives not the things of God”

II Corinthians 4:3;

I Corinthians 2:14

The Bible's Incredible Translatability

The Bible is one of the very few books that has been translated into almost every known language. Translators remark how easily it flows from one language to another. Even if translated badly the Bible has great power.



The Amazing Workability of the Bible



- God simplified human government condensing everything into 10 commandments
- These are the basis of UK and US Law
- During the reign of Victoria 650 enactments of Parliament were repealed as unworkable
- No one can improve on God's Word!

Your Questions

