

THE BIBLE IS THE WORD OF GOD

1) The Bible claims to be the Word of God - 2 Timothy 3:16-17; 2 Peter 1:20-21

2) Jesus says it's the Word of God - Matthew 5:18

3) Fulfilled prophecy in Jesus life:

	<u>Prophecy</u>	<u>Fulfillment</u>
a) He would be born of a virgin	Isaiah 7:14	Luke 1:26-35
b) He would be born in Bethlehem	Micah 5:2	Luke 2:4-7
c) He would live a sinless life	Isaiah 53:8-9	2 Corinthians 5:21
d) He would be killed (crucified)	Isaiah 53:4-7	Matthew 27:35
e) He would cry from the cross: "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?"	Psalms 22:1	Matthew 27:46

In Jesus' life, over 300 prophecies were fulfilled.

4) Its continuity:

- Written over a 1500 year span.
- Written by over 40 different writers from every walk of life.
- Written in several different places, on 3 continents.
- Written in 3 different languages.

***Its subject matter include hundreds of controversial topics,
and yet it's in perfect harmony from cover to cover.***

5) Other Fulfillments:

- 2,000 years before Columbus discovered that the Earth was round, not flat, Isaiah said that God sits on the circle of the Earth. - Isaiah 40:22
- 3,000 years before it was discovered, Job wrote that God hung the Earth on nothing. - Job 26:7
- Isaiah 44:28 talks about a man named Cyrus who would send captive Jews back to Jerusalem to build the wall and the temple. 150 years later a child was born named Cyrus, who did just that!

6) Other proofs:

- The Hittites: A people group mentioned often in the Old Testament, was laughed at by scientists and archeologists because they said the Hittites never existed. Then in 1906 Hugo Winckler discovered the remains of the Hittite capitol!
- In Joshua 6:20 it says the walls of Jericho fell outward, which is never the case when a city is attacked. But in 1930, Prof. Garstang discovered Jericho and found the walls had fallen outward!
- Not until the invention of the telescope did science figure out that the stars could not be numbered. However, in Genesis 22:17 and Hebrews 11:12 the authors refer to the stars as being as innumerable as grains of sand!
- Zechariah 14:12 describes the results of a nuclear bomb, which is how the Bible says God will destroy the nations who fight against Israel in the last days!
- 2 Peter 3:10 speaks of the elements "melting" with a great heat. This verse was considered ridiculous until we tested the first atomic bomb which produced such intense heat that the elements around it melted!

WHAT WE BELIEVE AND WHY

ABOUT GOD

Omniscience (All knowing) - Job 11:7; Psalm 139:1-4; Psalm 147:5; Romans 11:34

Omnipotent (All powerful) - Genesis 1:31; Genesis 17:1; Exodus 33:20; Psalm 147:5;
Daniel 2:20-22; Luke 1:37; 1 Timothy 1:17; Revelation 7:12

Omnipresent (Always present everywhere) - Psalm 139:7, 11-12; Isaiah 57:15; Matthew 28:20

Self-existent (Depends on nothing for His existence) - Exodus 3:14; John 5:26

Immutable (Unchanging) - Malachi 3:6; Hebrews 1:12; Hebrews 13:8; James 1:17

Self-sufficient - John 1:1-3; Colossians 1:16-17

Eternal - Psalm 90:2; Psalm 104:31; 1 Timothy 1:17; 2 Peter 3:8

Sovereign (In complete control) - Isaiah 46:8-10; Habakkuk 1:12; Zephaniah 3:17

Creator - Genesis 1:1; Acts 17:28; Colossians 1:17; Hebrews 1:3

He is Spirit - John 4:24

Truthful - John 1:17; John 14:6; Titus 1:2

Forgiving - Ephesians 1:7; 1 John 1:9

Just and Righteous - Psalm 89:14; Psalm 97:2

Good - Psalm 31:19; Isaiah 54:10

Merciful - Genesis 18:25; Numbers 14:18; Titus 3:5

Wise - Isaiah 40:13-14, 28; Romans 11:34

Grace (Unmerited favor) - John 1:17; Romans 5:8; Ephesians 1:5-6

Love - Genesis 6:8; Exodus 33:17; John 3:16; 1 John 4:8, 16

Holy - Leviticus 20:7-8; Psalm 104:31; Isaiah 6:3; Hebrews 12:28-29; 1 Peter 1:16

Faithful - Deuteronomy 32:4; Proverbs 14:27; Daniel 10:12; 1 Corinthians 1:9

Light - 1 John 1:5

These are just a few of the
verses that support these
truths!

EXISTENCE OF THE TRINITY (As seen in:)

Creation - Genesis 1:1(Father); Colossians 1:16(Son); Psalm 104:30(Spirit)

Christ's Baptism - Matthew 3:16-17

Atonement - Hebrews 9:14

Salvation - 1 Peter 1:2

Indwelling - John 14:15-23

OTHER TRUTHS

Angels - Matthew 22:30; Acts 12:7; Colossians 1:16

Demons - Matthew 8:28-30; Matthew 10:1; Acts 19:13

Satan - Matthew 4:1-11; Matthew 25:41; Acts 5:3; 1 Peter 5:8

Man has a conscience - Romans 2:13-15; Titus 1:15

Man was created in God's image - Genesis 1:26-27; Colossians 3:10

Reality of sin - 1 Samuel 15:23; Proverbs 21:4; Romans 3:23; Romans 5:19

Pre-existence of Christ - John 1:1-5; Colossians 1:15-17; Hebrews 1:2

Christ preserves and sustains the universe - Colossians 1:17

Incarnation (God becoming man) - Matthew 1:18-25; Romans 8:3; Philippians 2:5-8

Jesus as man - Matthew 2:1; Luke 2:52; John 4:6; John 19:28

as God - Luke 7:14-15; John 8:56-58; John 11:11; Hebrews 1:8

Holy Spirit is not a power, but a person (Has personal qualities) - Acts 5:3, 13:2;

1 Corinthians 2:10