

THE
B.I.B.L.E

IS THE
WORD OF GOD

ONE MIND BEHIND THE BOOK

- Over 40 authors
- The Bible writers came from many walks of life, including kings, peasants (farmers), philosophers, fishermen, poets, scholars, soldiers, priests, prophets, a tax collector, a tent-making, and a Gentile doctor.
- In 3 languages, almost entirely takes place in the middle east. Hebrew, Aramaic (OT), and Greek (NT)
- With ALL this variety, yet

**ONE BOOK NOT MANY,
ONE STORY**

PROPHECIES CONCERNING CHRIST

- The Old Testament, written over a 1,000 year period, contains several hundred references to the coming Messiah, all of which were fulfilled exactly in Jesus Christ.
- The story of Jesus Christ is also woven into the Old Testament through types, symbols, and ceremonies. All the Bible points to Jesus Christ.
- The biography of the patriarchs, the construction of the tabernacle and the temple, the services, the sacrifices, and the ceremonies, as well as other types and shadows - **ALL** foreshadow Jesus Christ.

NEVER OUT-OF-DATE

- Books on every subject have to be replaced because they become out-of-date so quickly; But the Bible has never had to be revised.
- Although written hundreds of years ago, the Bible remains the most up-to-date book available today.
- The Bible is relevant to every person, in every culture, in every age, because the Bible is a living message - which could only be authored by God.

CONTRARY TO HUMAN THINKING

- The Bible is completely unlike a book which humans would write. The Bible condemns all mankind, including the writers.
- It teaches there is no way they can be saved except by accepting the gift, our Lord Jesus Christ.
- The Bible deals frankly with the sins of its characters. People making things up try to make themselves look good. The Bible tells their stories realistically, with all their shortcomings.

HIGHEST MORAL STANDARDS

- The moral standards of the Bible are the highest known to man. They are impossible for man to achieve without divine help. Man would never set such unreachable standards for himself.
 - "But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you, "Therefore you shall be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect. (Mat 5)
 - Then Peter came to Him and said, "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Up to seven times?" Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven. (Mat 18)

SCIENTIFICALLY ACCURATE

- *The scientific fact concerning the shape of the earth*

“Will you not know? Will you not hear? Has it not been told to you of old? Have you not known the foundations of the earth? [It is] He that comprehends the circle of the earth, and the inhabitants in it are as grasshoppers; He that set up the heaven as a chamber, and stretched [it] out as a tent to dwell in;” (Isa 40:21,22)

SCIENTIFICALLY ACCURATE

- *The scientific fact concerning the revolution of the earth around itself*

“He stretches out the north wind upon nothing, and He hangs the earth upon nothing;” (Job 26:7)

(The prophet Job about 2000 years B. C.)

SCIENTIFICALLY ACCURATE

- *The scientific facts concerning genetics*

“Then God said , let the earth bring forth grass, the herb that yields seed , and the fruit tree that yield fruit after its kind, whose seed is in itself on the earth and it was so. And the earth brought forth grass, the herb that yields seed after its kind”
(Gen 1)

SCIENTIFICALLY ACCURATE

- *The scientific Fact that the moon has no light in itself.*

“Behold even the moon, and it shines not”
(Job 25:5).

SCIENTIFICALLY ACCURATE

- *The scientific discovery of the science of meteorology .concerning the water cycle.*

The Lord questioned Job and said to him,

“Who has divided a channel for the overflowing water, or a path for the thunderbolt, to cause it to rain on a land where there is no one, a wilderness in which there is no man. To satisfy the desolate waste, and cause to spring forth the growth of tender grass” (Job 38:25-27)

SCIENTIFICALLY ACCURATE

- *The scientific fact of the atomic energy.*

“The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up.” (2 Peter 3:9-11).

SCIENTIFICALLY ACCURATE

- Linguists have determined that all the earth's peoples must have originally shared a common language. That is precisely what the Bible declares in Genesis 11:1.
- Jonah wrote that there are mountains on the bottom of the ocean floor (Jonah 2:5-6). Only in the last century have we discovered that there are towering mountains and deep troughs in the sea.

HISTORICAL MANUSCRIPTS

- **The Sinai Manuscript**, was found by scholar Chandorf in Saint Catherine's Convent at the bottom of Mount Sinai in Egypt. It goes back to the 4th century A.D. and it is kept at the British Museum in London, England.

HISTORICAL MANUSCRIPTS

- **The Qumran Scrolls.** Found in 1947 by a Jordanian shepherd boy in one of the caves on the hills of Qumran, Jordan. A complete manuscript of the book of Isaiah written in Hebrew with other books of the Old Testament except the book of Esther. One of the famous archeologists Dr Albright gave the date of its writing period a few hundred years before Christ.

Dead Sea Scrolls (Qumran)



<http://dss.collections.imj.org.il/>

- **The Alexandria Manuscript**, dated 400 AD. This manuscript contains the entire Bible, and it is kept in the British Museum.

TESTIMONY OF THE QURAN

- “But why do they come to thee for decision, when they have the Torah before them” (Sura 5:46)
- “And in their footsteps we sent Jesus the son of Mary confirming the Law that had come before Him; We sent Him the Gospel therein was guidance and light” (Sura 5:49.)

TESTIMONY OF THE QURAN

- "O ye who believe in God and His apostle, and the scripture which He has sent to His apostle and the scripture which He sent before (him) any who denies God, His angels, His Books, (books in the plural, not just the Quran), apostles and the day of judgment, has gone far, far astray" (Sura 4:136).

TESTIMONY OF THE QURAN

- “ It is He who sent down to thee in truth, the Book, confirming what went before it; And He sent down the Law (the Torah) and the Gospel before this, as a guide to mankind” (3:3).
- “We have without a doubt sent down the message and we will assuredly guard it” (Quran 15:9).

TESTIMONY OF THE QURAN

- “If thou wert in doubt as to what we have revealed unto thee, then ask those who have been reading the Book before thee” (the Bible) (Sura 10: 94).

QUESTIONS?

1. Who tampered/changed the Bible?
 - Jews or Christians!
2. When did the Jews or the Christians tampered with the Old or the New Testament? Before the time of Islam or after?
 - Certainly, the previous Quranic verses prove beyond the shadow of doubt, that it was accepted during the time of Islam's prophet.
 - If we say it was tampered with, after the death of Islam's prophet, then we have to face the fact that Christianity has reached into Asia, Europe and Africa, and it is impossible to have it changed.

EARLY FATHERS QUOTATIONS

- Quotations used by the early fathers, the first 3 centuries, in different languages covered the entire New Testament, except 11 verses.

INFLUENTIAL PEOPLE BELIEVED IN THE BIBLE

- "The Bible is no mere book, but a living creature with a power that conquered all that opposes it."
- Napoleon Bonaparte
- "The Bible is the corner stone of liberty"
- Thomas Jefferson
- "I believe that the Bible is the best gift God has ever given to man. All the good from the savior of the world has communicated to us through this Book." - Abraham Lincoln

INFLUENTIAL PEOPLE BELIEVED IN THE BIBLE

- When Queen Victoria was asked: "What is the secret of the greatness of Great Britain? She pointed with her finger to the Bible and said: This is the secret of the greatness of Great Britain." - Queen Victoria
- "The Bible is the crown of all books, and the Sermon on the Mount is the jewel on the crown." - Gandhi

INFLUENTIAL PEOPLE BELIEVED IN THE BIBLE

- "It is impossible for the world to enjoy a rule of justice and stability without depending on God and His Bible." - George Washington
- "The Bible and Bible reading is an education itself." - Sir Alfred Tennyson
- "Sin will keep you from this Book (the Bible), or this book will keep you from sin." - D. L. Moody

- “You shall not add to the word which I command you, and you shall not take from it: keep the commandments of the Lord our God, all that I command you this day” (Deut 4:2)
- “Every word that I command you this day, you shall observe to do: you shall not add to it, nor diminish from it” (Deut. 12:32).
- I testify to everyone hearing the words of the prophecy of this book: If anyone adds to them, may God add to him the plagues having been written in this book. And if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, may God take away his part from the tree of Life, and from the holy city, [and from] the things having been written in this book. (Rev. 22:18-19).

Propose of the Bible

Is to

Reveal God to mankind,
and get us to come to God
through Jesus Christ,
so we can know Him

And can be

Saved.

Plan of Salvation!