



The Bible Is The Word of God

(2 Timothy 3:16-17)

- Introduction:
1. If the Bible is indeed the Word of God, think of how fortunate and accountable we are to have such ready access to it.
 2. Since there are a several books which claim to be the Word of God, how can we be sure that it is the Bible that is genuinely the Word of God?
 3. This lesson examines several evidences which testify to the fact that the Bible is God's inspired word.

I. Logic And Rationality Demand It

- A. What are the possibilities for the existence of the Bible?
- B. The only rational answer for it's production is God.

II. It's Unity Is An Evidence

- A. The Bible is a collection of 66 books, written by around 40 authors, over approximately 1600 years.
- B. Yet, in spite of this, The Bible is a uniquely unified book.
 1. The thread of redemption is woven through every book.
 2. There is no disagreement or contradiction.

III. Its Indestructibility Is An Evidence

- A. (Matthew 24:35; John 10:35).
- B. The persistent attacks of infidels and false religions throughout the ages have failed, and will continue to fail in their combined efforts to destroy the Bible and its influence.

IV. Its Impartiality Is An Evidence

- A. The Bible records both the morality and immorality, the triumphs and failures, the glorious events as well as the scandalous events in the lives of its heroes.
- B. There is an objective honesty in the bible that humans would have great difficulty achieving.

V. Prophecy Is An Evidence

- A. For prophecy to be convincingly used as evidence of inspiration, it must meet the following criterion.
 1. It must be detailed to exclude chance fulfillment.
 2. It must have no historical hints that might forecast a future event.
 3. It must be 100% free from error.
- B. No other book but the Bible can satisfy these criterion.

- Conclusion:
1. In light of so many evidences, one can affirm with assurance that the Bible is indeed the inspired word of God.
 2. And if it is the word of God, how should we receive it (1 Thessalonians 2:13)?
 3. Someday, the words contained in the Bible will judge our lives (John 8:48).