

# How can I know that the Bible is true?

## Fulfilled Prophecies

Around 25% of the Bible makes prophecies about individual people, places, and events. Every one of these prophecies that should have been fulfilled by Now (this is excluding prophecies about the last days) have been fulfilled. These involve Tyre, Egypt, Ethiopia, Greece, and hundreds more. If even one had failed then the Bible would be false.

## True scientifically

Job, the oldest book in the Bible (written over 4,000 years ago), talks about the Earth being suspended in space, "He stretches out the north over empty space, and hangs the earth on nothing."

Several thousand years ago when many estimated the number of stars to be only several thousand the Bible corrected stated, "As the host of heaven cannot be numbered, nor the sand of the sea measured." – Jeremiah 33:22.

In fact, verified science and the Bible never contradict. Because both are real, they must Necessarily agree with each other.

## True Historically

Many thought that people (King Sargon, the Hittites, etc), places (Canaan, Gibeah, etc) and events (Fall of Nineveh, Revolt of Moab, etc) in the Bible were fictitious until archaeology once again validated the Bible.

The Bible has never been shown to be historically inaccurate.

## Internal Consistency

The Bible was written over a span of 1,500 years by at least forty authors. Some were kings, others were laborers and most were somewhere in between. Yet there is not one contradiction.

Some people claim that the Bible is full of contradictions but ask if they can name even one.

## How can I know that Jesus Christ is the Savior?

### He fulfilled all Messianic prophecies

The 39 books of the Old Testament (OT) were written centuries before Jesus was born. The OT has around 315 prophecies regarding the coming Messiah. Jesus Christ fulfilled every one of them. But could many people have fulfilled those prophecies?

Professor Peter Stoner in the book Science Speaks calculated the odds of one Person fulfilling just eight of these prophecies. They were:

His place of birth (**Micah 5:2**)

The time of birth (**Daniel 9:25**)

The manner of birth (**Isaiah 7:14**)

How He was betrayed (**Zechariah 11:11-13**)

The manner of His Death (**Psalms 22:16**)

The piercing of His hands, feet and side  
(**Psalms 22, Zechariah 12:10**)

The fact that people mocked Him  
(**Isaiah 53, Psalms 22**)

How He was buried (**Isaiah 53:9**)

He found the odds to be 1 in 10<sup>17</sup>. To put this in perspective, this many silver dollars would cover the state of Texas two feet deep. Mark only one of these silver dollars.

Now blindfold someone and let him parachute and pick only one coin. That this would be the one and only marked coin is the same odds as 1 in 10<sup>17</sup>.

George Heron, a French mathematician, calculated that the odds of one man fulfilling only 40 of those prophecies to be 1 in 10<sup>157</sup>. The estimated number of electrons in the entire universe is only around 10<sup>79</sup>. Is Jesus Christ the Messiah that was prophesized in the OT? Undoubtedly!

## The Bible says He is God

Titus 2:13 states that we are, "looking for the blessed hope and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus."

In John 4 the Jews were going to stone Jesus and when He asked them why they replied, "for a good work we do not stone You, but for blasphemy; and because You, being a man, make Yourself out to be God."

## He rose from the dead

1 Corinthians 15:3-4 says, "For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures..."

## How can I know that Christianity is different?

In all aspects of human nature the Bible is completely accurate.

## Purpose

Materialism, philosophical naturalism, secular humanism, and Teleology all hold that there is no external purpose to human

life. In contrast, God tells us that each one of us is of extreme value and that we have a present and eternal purpose.

### Sin

There are many worldviews of what our nature is.

Yet we inherently know that there is true right and wrong. We not only see it in the monstrous people and events in history but even in ourselves. We lust, hold grudges, steal, gossip, lie, are rude, and withheld good from others. These are all sin and every one of us has committed at least one.

Isaiah 59:2 says, "But your sins have made a separation between you and your God, and your sins have hidden His face from you, so that He does not hear."

Because God is holy, all sin is a crime against Him and requires justice. But because God perfect we can never pay this penalty ourselves. We are in a dilemma. Christianity has the only solution.

### The Cross

When Jesus Christ died on the cross He paid the full penalty for every one of our sins. Colossians 2:14-15, "And when you were dead in your sins... He made you alive together with Him, having forgiven you all your sins, having canceled out your debt... and He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross." It is a free gift offered by God to you today.

Romans 10:9 states, "That if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved..." It is a free gift offered by God to you today.

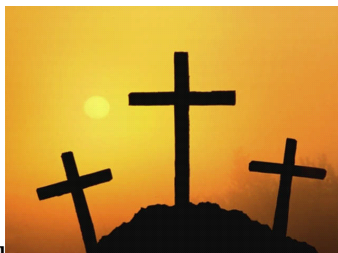
Only Christianity acknowledges the helpless, sinful state of each person but with an answer that anyone can receive.

## How can I know that salvation is possible?

God desires every person to be saved and to be assured of their salvation. 1 John 5:13 says, "These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, in order that you may know that you have eternal life."

So when is the best time to be saved (born-again)? God answers that in 2 Corinthians 6:2, "...behold, now is 'the acceptable time,' behold, now is 'the day of salvation.'"

Is the Bible true? –Definitely. Is Jesus Christ God and Savior? –Yes. Can you be saved right now? –Most assuredly.



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