

The Reliability of The Bible

“Forever, O Lord, Your word is firmly fixed in the heavens” (Psalm 119:89).

Every year, the Bible remains the world’s bestselling book.

It’s been translated into more languages than any other document in history. It’s been preserved, studied, quoted, memorized, and preached for centuries. It’s inspired kings, comforted martyrs, launched movements, and changed lives.

I. What the Bible is, And Where It Came From

“A Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching...” (2 Timothy 3:16).

Sixty-six books written over 1,500 years, by more than 40 human authors, in three different languages, across three continents.

At its core, the Bible is God’s Word in written form—His self-revelation to mankind (2 Tim. 3:15-16). It is not man’s speculation about God, but God’s declaration to man.

The Bible is both divine and human. God used real men, in real places, during real

“No prophecy of Scripture comes from someone’s own interpretation. For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit” (2 Peter 1:20–21).

That’s why the Bible doesn’t just contain truth—it is truth. Jesus prayed, “Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth” (John 17:17).

II. How It Came To Us

The Old Testament was written primarily in Hebrew, with a small amount of Aramaic.

The New Testament was written in Greek by the apostles and their close associates—eyewitnesses of Christ’s life, death, and resurrection.

The church councils simply recognized what was already considered Scripture by the churches.

III. We can Trust The Bible Today

“The sum of Your word is truth, and every one of Your righteous rules endures forever” (Psalm 119:160).

1. The Bible’s Integrity Over Time

No ancient document has been preserved with as much accuracy as the Bible.

Compared to any other ancient work, the Bible has more manuscripts, from earlier dates, with greater agreement.

God has sovereignly preserved His Word.

“The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever” (Isaiah 40:8).

2. The Bible’s Internal Unity

Despite being written over 1,500 years by 40 different authors, the Bible tells one cohesive story—from Genesis to Revelation.

There are no contradictions in its theology, no contradictions in its message.

This kind of unity across time, culture, and language isn’t possible without divine design.

3. The Bible’s Fulfilled Prophecy

Only God knows the future—and the Bible is full of fulfilled prophecies. The coming of Christ was foretold in astonishing detail hundreds of years before His birth:

- Born of a virgin (Isaiah 7:14)
- In Bethlehem (Micah 5:2)
- Rejected by men (Isaiah 53:3)
- Pierced for our sins (Zechariah 12:10)

No other book contains accurate prophecy at this scale.

4. The Bible’s Enduring Power

The Bible doesn’t just inform—it transforms.

“For the word of God is living and active...” (Hebrews 4:12).

You can trust the Bible because it is trustworthy. Not just historically. Not just intellectually. But spiritually, eternally, and personally.