The Bible: God’s Word?
2 Timothy 3: 10-17

You, however, know all about my teaching, my way of life, my purpose, faith, patience, love, endurance, persecutions, sufferings—what kinds of things happened to me in Antioch, Iconium and Lystra, the persecutions I endured. Yet the Lord rescued me from all of them. In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, while evil men and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived. But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have known the holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work. 2 Tim. 3:10-17

And we have the word of the prophets made more certain, and you will do well to pay attention to it, as to a light shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet’s own interpretation. For prophecy never had its origin in the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.
2 Peter 1:19-21

The Bible
Does it bear the marks of Divine inspiration?

1. Unity of Scripture

- 66 Books
- 40 Authors
- Over 1500 years
- 3 languages
- 3 continents

Unity of Scripture

-Genesis to Revelation -
“Common Theme”

-God’s Love and Redemptive Plan for Us

-No Contradictions
2. Geographical, Historical, and Archeological Accuracy

“History” is “His Story”

3. Prophecies of Scripture

Examples: Old Testament Prophecies of the Messiah (68 major & 270 minor)

(Micah 5:2; Isaiah 7:14, Is. 53; Psalm 22; Psalm 16:10; etc)

Ezekiel 26:3-14

Incredible Prophecy (593 B.C.):
1. Mainland Tyre will be destroyed (v. 8).
2. Many nations will come against Tyre (v. 3).
3. She will be made a bare rock (v. 4).
4. Fishermen will spread their nets over site (v.5).
5. Tyre’s debris thrown into the water (v. 12).

Ezekiel 26:3-14

The City of Tyre & Alexander the Great
332 B.C.

* Roughly 300 years after God’s prophecy!

Ancient Tyre Today

- Great Sea
- Harbor of Sidon
- Present coastline
- Causeway built by Alexander
- Island of horns (now submerged)
- Tyre
- Tyre Wall
- Port of Egypt
- Harbor of Sidon
- OLD TYRE Island
4. Trustworthy Translations

“Dead Sea Scrolls” discovered in 1947
dated from 200 B.C.
Old Testament is 99.9% accurate

Modern Archeology has discovered over 5300
Complete Greek N.T. manuscripts and over 24,000
portions from the first three centuries after Christ.
New Testament is 99.9% accurate

The Divine Inspiration of Scripture: What difference does it make?

1. The Bible is God’s map & compass for our lives.
2. One of our primary means of knowing & growing closer to God.
3. Provides a context for our lives.
4. Lets us see into the future!
The Bible is God’s “love letter” to us.

Have you fallen in love with the author?