

WHY I BELIEVE THE BIBLE IS GOD'S WORD

1. It was written over a period of more than 1000 years and is not the scheme of one individual human founder.
2. It makes sense that a creator would reveal his plan to his creatures.
3. The Bible came out of the shared experiences of God of different believers in different times and places, yet every one absolutely believed in the truth of what he wrote. Such conviction comes from God. Psychological and scientific studies show that the word patterns have all the marks of such conviction.
4. A fraud could not survive so long. Fads come and go but the Word of God survives forever.
5. Many of the books of the Bible claim to be from God. All the human authors of Scripture show a unqualified conviction about the truth of what they write.
6. The various books come from various times and places, and use various forms and literary style, yet all speak from a similar theme in a single familiar voice..
7. Linguistic studies show the patterns of the Gospel stories do not fit the patterns of contrived myth, fiction or lies. This is the conclusion of atheist scientists who studied the matter in the old Soviet Union.
8. Great intellectuals, heroes, statesmen, poets, artist, scholars, saints, and scientists, past and present, have trusted in the authenticity of Holy Scripture and found inspiration there.
9. In spite of the different personalities of the human writers and the difference in time and place of writing, there is a remarkable unity of worldview and purpose and message in the Bible.
10. It works for me. When I read the Bible I receive a faith conviction in my being that no other book can even come close to. When it is read or listened to in even a little faith, The assurance of the Holy Spirit comes.
11. Archeological findings of the past century confirm the historic accuracy of most of the events of Scripture. More confirmation is discovered each year.
12. The concept of God revealed in the Bible makes the most sense in answering questions about the mysteries, origins and purpose of life. It takes more negative faith to not believe than faith to believe.