

Answer Key:

Just the Facts.....

1. historically

- eyewitness
- extreme
- archeology

2. scientifically

- science
- changes
- flat

3. prophetically

- predictions
- 300

Examples

- born
- die

4. thematically

- theme
- redemption

5. confirmed

- trusted

6. transforming

- change

You asked for it!

Part 10

"Can I trust the Bible?"

2 Timothy 3:16-17 NIV

"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."

Introductory Statement

The issue of whether the Bible can be trusted is important. And in light of the evidence examined, many readers have concluded that the Bible is indeed trustworthy and reliable. But we must exercise caution. When we reduce the Bible to evidence and proofs—as critical as those are—it is easy to miss its grand story: God’s love for and redemption of humanity.

Remember this...God cannot LIE!

Hebrews 6:17-18 NIV

"Because God wanted to make the unchanging nature of his purpose very clear to the heirs of what was promised, he confirmed it with an oath. God did this so that, by two unchangeable things in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled to take hold of the hope offered to us may be greatly encouraged."

Just the Facts.....

1. The Bible is _____ accurate.

For the word of the LORD is right and true...

Psalm 33:4 NIV

If the Bible is not accurate and reliable, then nothing we Christians believe about ourselves, the world around us, or even God, has any ultimate foundation.

•The Bible is primarily _____ accounts.

•The Scripture has been copied with _____ care.

•Research _____ and it proves again and again that the places and the people.

2. The Bible is _____ accurate.

•The Bible is not a _____ text book.

"Science is thinking God's thoughts after him!"

Johannes Kepler

•Science constantly _____.

•That the earth was _____!

Isaiah 40:22 HSB

"God is enthroned above the circle of the earth; its inhabitants are like grasshoppers. He stretches out the heavens like thin cloth and spreads them out like a tent to live in."

Psalm 148:5-6 NLT

"Let every created thing give praise to the LORD, for he issued his command, and they came into being. He established them forever and forever. His orders will never be revoked."

3. The Bible is _____ accurate.

•It means that the _____ in the Bible always come true.

•There were _____ predictions about the Messiah.

Examples

• _____.

• _____.

●The theme of the Bible is _____!

During Bible times nobody wanted to be a prophet. You know why? Because the law was this in Israel: A prophet of God had to be correct one hundred percent of the time. If you were wrong just once, then you were considered a false prophet and you would be put to death. So nobody wanted to be a prophet because you had to be accurate one hundred percent of the time.

2 Peter 1:21 GWT

"No prophecy ever originated from humans. Instead, it was given by the Holy Spirit as humans spoke under God's direction."

4. The Bible is _____ unified.

●It has a _____ through the entire book from cover to cover, from Genesis to Revelation.

Luke 24:27 GNT

"...Jesus explained to them what was said about himself in all the Scriptures, beginning with the books of Moses and the writings of all the prophets."

Myth:

Most people think the New Testament is about Jesus and the Old Testament is about Israel. WRONG!

John 5:39 GNT

"You study the Scriptures, because you think that in them you will find eternal life. And these very Scriptures speak about me!"

5. The Bible is _____ by Jesus.

"...the scripture... is true forever..."

John 10:35 GNT

We know that what the scripture says is true forever; and God called those people gods, the people to whom his message was given.

●Jesus _____ the Bible.

Luke 11:28 NIV

"...Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and obey it."

Jesus, as he talked about the Bible, he talked about it as a real book, talking about real people, and real places by a real God who's really at work in our lives.

6. The Bible has _____ power.

•Nothing can _____ the lives of people like the Bible.

John 8:31-32 NKJV

"If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

Why is the inerrancy and infallibility and the flawlessness of God's Word so important?

YOUR SALVATION DEPENDS ON IT!