

MY GOD IN MOTION...

Hear My Voice And Lead – Part 3: FAQ 2 - Why Believe The Bible Is The Word Of God

*“Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have”
1 Peter 3:15.*

Virtual Home Group Bible Study

07-01-2025

Agenda

- Purpose & Opening
- Topic: What, Why, How,
- Resources
- Discussion
- Group Prayers: Updates / New Requests
- Feedback / Next Session / Future Topics
- Call To Action & Closing

Purpose & Opening

- Purpose: Exhort One Another Into Love and Good Works
“And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works,
Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some,
but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.”
Hebrews 10:24-25
- Opening Prayer:
Thank you for this opportunity
Give me Words to deliver Your message
Give us Eyes to See all things from Your perspective
Give us Ears to Hear and understand Your Word
Help us get to know You through Your Word
Help us be transformed into the people You intended us to be
Help us turn Your Words into loving action through our flesh
Help us bring glory to You in all we do

Topic

What: Hear My Voice And Lead – Part 3 – FAQ's 2 – The Bible

Why:

- Many of My children are lost.
- They do not believe in ME and they do not believe My Word.
- I have revealed Myself in My Word and in My Son.
- The Bible is My Word and it is divinely inspired
- Seek Me with all your heart, and you will find ME, I will come alive for you.
- There is no other book like it, check it out for yourself.

(From Journaling with Jesus 7/1)

Approach: What, Why, How

Jesus Gave Each Of Us A Commission

Mark 16:15-20

And He said to them, “**Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.** He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned.

And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; **they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover.**”

So then, after the Lord had spoken to them, He was received up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God. And they went out and preached everywhere, **the Lord working with them and confirming the word through the accompanying signs.** Amen.

1 Peter 3:15

But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear.

Frequently Asked Questions

God

- Why Should I Believe in God?
- I Believe In Science, I Don't Need God To Explain Things
- Why Would A Loving God Allow Evil / Suffering?
- How Can A Loving God Be Casting People into Hell?

Bible

- **Why believe this particular man-made book?**
- **Isn't the Bible Just a Collection of Myths and Ancient Stories?**
- **Hasn't The Bible Been Corrupted over Generations?**
- **How do I interpret it – How much is literal vs metaphor/allegory?**

Jesus

- Why Should I Believe In Jesus?
- What evidence do we have that Jesus was a real historic person?
- Did He Claim To Be God?
- What Evidence Do we Have That He Was Crucified / Died on a Cross?
- What Evidence Do We Have That He Rose From The Dead

Salvation

- How Did Jesus Pay The Price?
- Why Blood?
- I Am Basically A Good Person, Why Do I Need A Savior?
- I Am Religious, Reading Bible, Going to Church, I know all about Jesus, I will be OK Right?
- OK, So I sinned, Can't I Just Ask For Forgiveness?

Why Believe This Particular Book?

1. Remarkable Preservation

“Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will never pass away” (Matthew 24:35)

2. Historical / Archeological Grounding

“Many have undertaken to compile an account of the things that have been fulfilled among us” (Luke 1:1)

3. Prophecy Fulfilled – Only God Can Predict The Future

“For no prophecy was ever brought forth by the will of man,
but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit” (2 Peter 1:21).

4. Profound Truths / Life-Transforming Power

“And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.” (John 8:32-36)

5. Unifying Narrative Across Diverse Authors, Space, and Time

“And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He (Jesus) expounded to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself. (Luke 24:27)

6. “Supernatural” Design

“For since the creation of the world God’s invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse”. (Romans 1:20)

Hasn't The Bible Been Corrupted?

Massive Publishing via Careful Replication

- Manual replication by dedicated scribes.

- 6000 manuscripts available of new testament alone.

Textual Criticism

- Analysis results in a history tree, Changes traceable back to source.

- Thousands of textual variations, None change message/theology.

Dead Sea Scrolls (discovered 1946-7) validate integrity of copy process

- Fragments or copies of nearly every book in old testament along with other docs.

- Most in Hebrew, some in Aramaic and Greek. Some dated to ~300 BC.

- Copy of Isaiah is nearly complete - only minor variations from later copies.

Timing of Original Writings

- New Testament works written 40-60 years after the events

- Witnesses were still alive

Resources: Is The Bible Corrupted

The Bible Project

How We Got the Bible (Podcast & Video)

<https://bibleproject.com/podcast/how-we-got-the-bible/>

My Blog:

Why Believe Anything In The Bible? Because It Is Remarkably Well Preserved

<https://mygodinmotion.org/about-him-god-jesus/apologetics/the-bible-has-been-well-preserved/>

Archeological Support For The Bible

- Archeology – Evidence Dug Up And Analyzed
- Extra-Biblical Records – Writings Preserved Outside Of The Bible

Content	In Bible	Evidence From Archeology	Evidence in Historical Records	Any Extra-biblical Evidence
People	~3000	50+	70+	100+
Places	~1000	120+	100+	200+
Events	Hundreds	40+	50+	80+

- The Bible Has Been Used To Guide Many Archeology Discoveries
- No Evidence From Archeology Refutes The Bible
- Every Day, Archeology Finds More Evidence That Supports The Bible
- The Bible Is Not Just A Collection of Myths and Wild Fiction

The Bible Describes Real People

- Over 100 biblical People are verified via extra-biblical sources

Person	Bible Ref	Verse	Supporting Evidence Found	When Discovered
Balaam	Num 22	"... <i>Balaam son of Beor</i> ..."	Deir Alla inscription	1967, Jordan
Jehu (King of Israel)	2 Kings 9	"... <i>Jehu the son of Nimshi</i> ..."	Black Obelisk of Shalmaneser III	1846
Sennacherib (King Of Assyria)	2 Kings 19:36	"So Sennacherib king of Assyria departed..."	Sennacherib's Prism and palace reliefs	1830s
Hezekiah (King of Judah)	2 Kings 18:1	"Hezekiah the son of Ahaz..."	Hezekiah's Tunnel, Royal Seal (Bulla)	1880 (tunnel), 2015 (seal)
King David	2 Samuel 5:4	"David was thirty years old when he began to reign..."	Tel Dan Inscription referring to "House of David"	1993
Nebuchadnezzar II (King Of Babylon)	Daniel 1:1	"...Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon..."	Babylonian Chronicles and inscriptions	1899–1907
Cyrus The Great (King of Persia +)	Isaiah 44:28	"Cyrus...shall perform all My pleasure..."	Cyrus Cylinder	1870
Herod the Great	Matthew 2:1	"... <i>Herod the king</i> ..."	Josephus, Herodium ruins	Many modern finds
Pontius Pilate	Matthew 27:2	"...Pontius Pilate the governor."	Pilate Stone in Caesarea Maritima	1961
Caiaphas	Matthew 26:3	"...Caiaphas, the high priest..."	Ossuary with inscription "Joseph son of Caiaphas"	1990
Jesus	Various	Various	Various including Josephus	

The Bible Describes Real Places

- Over 200 places verified via Archology or Extra-biblical sources

Place	Bible Ref	Verse	Supporting Evidence	When/Where Discovered
Sodom	Genesis 19:24	"...the Lord rained fire and brimstone..."	Tall el-Hammam: fiery destruction, high salt content	2005–present, Jordan
Jacob's Well	John 4:6, Genesis 33:19	"...Jacob's well was there..."	Still visible today; long-standing tradition; Early Christian documentation	4th century church above it
Jericho	Joshua 6	"...the wall fell down flat..."	Collapsed walls, burn layer, Late Bronze Age	1930s–50s excavations
Jerusalem	2 Samuel 5:6–7	"David took the stronghold of Zion..."	Fortifications, Hezekiah's Tunnel, Pool of Siloam	Ongoing since 1800s
Babylon	Daniel 1:1	"...Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon..."	Gates, tablets, ziggurat, extensive excavation	1899+, Iraq
Nineveh	Jonah 1:2	"...go to Nineveh..."	Palaces, inscriptions, library, reliefs	1847, Iraq
Bethlehem	Micah 5:2, Luke 2:4	"...from Bethlehem..."	Clay bulla from 7th c. BC	2012, City of David
Capernaum	Matthew 4:13	"...dwelt in Capernaum..."	Synagogue ruins, Peter's house, coins	1800s–present
Sea of Galilee	Matthew 4:18	"...Sea of Galilee..."	Ancient harbors, 1st-century fishing boat	1986 (Jesus Boat)
Pool of Bethesda	John 5:2	"...by the Sheep Gate a pool..."	Excavated with five porticoes exactly as described	1888, Jerusalem
Garden of Gethsemane	Matthew 26:36	"...went to Gethsemane..."	Long-standing traditional location, supported by topography and early writings	Identified since 4th century
Golgotha (Calvary)	John 19:17	"...the Place of a Skull..."	Rock outcrop outside ancient city walls; traditional site fits Roman practices	Church of the Holy Sepulchre (4th c.)
Jesus' Tomb	Matthew 27:60	"...laid it in his own new tomb..."	Rock-cut tomb under Church of the Holy Sepulchre; aligns with 1st-century tombs	Site venerated since at least 4th

The Bible Describes Real Historic Events

Event	Bible Ref	Verse	Supporting Evidence	When/Where Discovered
Destruction of Jericho	Josh 6:20	"...walls fell..."	Collapsed walls, burned city	1930s–50s
Hezekiah Building Tunnel	2 Chr 32:30	"...brought water by tunnel..."	Siloam Tunnel + inscription	1880
Assyrian Siege of Jerusalem	2 Kings 19	"...185,000 died..."	Sennacherib's Prism confirms siege but no capture	1830s
Exile To Babylon	2 Kings 25	"...carried away..."	Babylonian Chronicles, Lachish Letters	6th c. BC
Crucifixion of Jesus	Matt 27	"...they crucified Him..."	Tacitus, Josephus, bone of crucified man	AD 64–95 1968 find
Census under Quirinius	Luke 2:2	"...first census..."	Roman administrative records	1st c.
Death of James (Jesus' brother)	Gal 1:19	"...James..."	Josephus mentions execution	~AD 94
Edict of Cyrus	Ezra 1:1	"...Cyrus king of Persia..."	Cyrus Cylinder confirms return policy	1879
Fall of Samaria	2 Kings 17:6	"...king of Assyria took Samaria..."	Assyrian records	8th c. BC

Resources: Archeology and Historic Evidence

Joel Cramer

Where God Came Down: The Archaeological Evidence (Book)

<https://www.amazon.com/Where-God-Came-Down-Archaeological/dp/0998037480>

Expedition Bible (Official Archaeology Website & YouTube Channel)

<https://expeditionbible.com/>

My Blog Post

The Bible Is Supported By Archeology And Historic Evidence

<https://mygodinmotion.org/about-him-god-jesus/apologetics/the-bible-is-supported-by-archeology-and-historic-evidence/>

My YouTube Playlist

Are The Bible Stories Fact Or Fiction: What Can We Learn From Archeology?

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j3rdU_MpC1c&list=PLI6PAnzZDZEqMwj61a9wN72Jy2tK6pkGt&pp=gAQB

Biblical Prophecy Fulfilled – (Verified)

Prediction	Bible Ref	Verse	Prophecy	Fulfilled	Evidence
Destruction of Jerusalem by Babylon	Jeremiah 25:11	"This whole land shall be a desolation..."	~605 BC	586 BC	Babylonian Chronicles
Fall of Babylon	Isaiah 13:19	"Babylon...will be as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah."	~700 BC	539 BC	Persian & Greek Histories
Cyrus to Rebuild Jerusalem	Isaiah 44:28	"Cyrus...shall perform all My pleasure..."	~700 BC	538 BC	Cyrus Cylinder
Alexander's Empire Split	Daniel 8:21-22	"...the large horn is the first king...four kingdoms shall arise..."	~550 BC	~323 BC	Historical Records
Destruction of Tyre	Ezekiel 26:3-14	"They shall destroy the walls of Tyre..."	~586 BC	332 BC	Destroyed By Alexander, Recorded in Greek History
Global Dispersion of Jews	Deuteronomy 28:64	"The Lord will scatter you among all peoples..."	~1400 BC	AD 70	Roman Historians
Reassembly of Jews into A Nation	Ezekiel 37:21-22	"...I will take the children of Israel from among the nations, wherever they have gone, and will gather them... bring them into their own land; and I will make them one nation in the land, on the mountains of Israel."	~586 BC	29 Nov 1947	UN Resolution 181

Resources: Prophecy Fulfilled

John Ankerberg & John Weldon	<i>The Facts on Bible Prophecy</i>	https://www.amazon.com/Facts-Bible-Prophecy-Ankerberg-Weldon/dp/0736914405
J. Barton Payne	<i>Encyclopedia of Biblical Prophecy: The Complete Guide to Scriptural Predictions and Their Fulfillment</i>	https://www.amazon.com/Encyclopedia-Biblical-Prophecy-Predictions-Fulfillment/dp/0060664766
Josh McDowell	<i>Evidence That Demands a Verdict</i> (Chapters on Prophecy)	https://www.amazon.com/Evidence-That-Demands-Verdict-Historical/dp/1401676707
Mark Hitchcock	<i>The Complete Book of Bible Prophecy</i>	https://www.amazon.com/Complete-Book-Bible-Prophecy/dp/0849911321
David Reagan / Lamb & Lion Ministries	<i>Christ in Prophecy</i> Video Series	https://christinprophecy.org/
Arnold Fruchtenbaum	<i>Messianic Christology: A Study of Old Testament Prophecy Concerning the First Coming of the Messiah</i>	https://www.amazon.com/Messianic-Christology-Testament-Prophecy-Concerning/dp/0914863099
Jews for Jesus	<i>Isaiah 53 Explained</i> (Messianic Fulfillment)	https://jewsforjesus.org/isaiah53
GotQuestions.org	<i>What are some prophecies that Jesus fulfilled?</i>	https://www.gotquestions.org/prophecies-of-Jesus.html
Blue Letter Bible	<i>Prophecies of the Messiah – Detailed Chart</i>	https://www.blueletterbible.org/study/messiah/prophecies.cfm
My God In Motion Blog	Why Believe the Bible Is From God? Only God Can Predict The Future	https://mygodinmotion.org/about-him-god-jesus/apologetics/why-believe-the-bible-is-from-god-only-god-can-predict-the-future/

The Bible Revealed Profound Truths

- Science Facts Before Science
- Psychologic Truths Before Psychology
- Practical Wisdom

Bible Revealed Scientific Facts Before Science

Scientific Fact	Bible Ref	Verse	Discovery	By Whom
Universe had a beginning	Genesis 1:1	"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth."	1927	Georges Lemaître (Big Bang) Edwin Hubble (Expanding)
Universe is expanding, forming in a pattern	Isaiah 40:42	"he stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them out like a tent to live in"	1964	Edwin Hubble (Expanding) Penzias and Wilson (Cosmic Background)
Stars are uncountable	Genesis 15:5	"Look now toward heaven, and count the stars if you are able to number them..."	~1600s	Galileo (first telescope)
Earth is a sphere	Isaiah 40:22	"It is He who sits above the circle of the earth..."	~500 BC 1492	Ancient Greeks theorized Confirmed by circumnavigation
Earth floats in space	Job 26:7	"He hangs the earth on nothing."	~1500	Copernicus, Newton
Cosmos Are Running Down	Isaiah 51:6 Psalm 102:25-26	The earth will grow old like a garment,	1832	Lord Kelvin, 2 nd Law Of Thermodynamics
Air has weight	Job 28:25	"To make the weight for the wind..."	~1600s	Evangelista Torricelli, Blaise Pascal
Global Wind Currents	Ecclesiastes 1:6	"...the wind whirls about continually, and comes again on its circuit"	1840's	Matthew Fontaine Maury
Light can be divided	Job 38:24	"By what way is light parted...?"	~1600s	Isaac Newton (prism experiments)
Ocean has currents	Psalm 8:8	"all that swim the paths of the seas."	~1855	Matthew Maury (Father of Oceanography)
Mountains under the sea	Jonah 2:6	"To the roots of the mountains I sank down; the earth beneath barred me in forever.	~1800s	Oceanography (deep sea mapping)
Water cycle described	Ecclesiastes 1:7	"All the rivers run into the sea, yet the sea is not full..."	1600–1800s	Various Hydrologists
Blood is the source of life	Leviticus 17:11	"For the life of the flesh is in the blood..."	~1600	William Harvey (blood circulation)
Germs, Sanitation, Quarantine	Leviticus 13:46, Numbers 19	"He shall dwell alone; his dwelling shall be outside the camp."	1800s	Ignaz Semmelweis, Joseph Lister

The Bible Presents Deep Psychological Truths

Truth	Biblical Narrative	Bible Ref	Psychology Findings	Who Established	When
Truth leads to freedom and healing	Jesus: "...The Truth Shall Set You Free"	John 8:32	Truth-telling is essential for mental health and self-integration	Carl Rogers, Jordan Peterson	1950s–Present
Voluntarily confronting chaos leads to transformation	Moses vs Pharaoh, David vs Goliath, Jesus in wilderness	Ex 5–14, 1 Sam 17, Matt 4	The Hero's Journey & exposure therapy promote growth	Carl Jung, Joseph Campbell	1940s–70s
Sacrifice enables future stability	Cain and Abel, Abraham and Isaac	Gen 4, Gen 22	Delayed gratification predicts success (Marshmallow test)	Walter Mischel	1972
Sin is self-deception & missing the mark	Adam & Eve, David & Bathsheba	Gen 3, 2 Sam 11	Cognitive dissonance, moral injury result from misalignment	Leon Festinger	1957
Meaning emerges from bearing responsibility	Jesus carrying the cross	Luke 23:26	Responsibility correlates with life satisfaction	Jordan Peterson	2018
Death and rebirth as psychological transformation	Jonah, Joseph, Jesus' resurrection	Jonah 1–2, Gen 37–50, Luke 24	Post-traumatic growth, ego death, self-actualization	Abraham Maslow, Carl Jung	1940s–60s
Logos (speech) creates order	Creation in Genesis	Gen 1	Conscious language reshapes thought, reality	Noam Chomsky, Jordan Peterson	1957–Now

The Bible Provides Practical Wisdom

Truth	Bible Ref	Verse	Challenge	Modern Practice	Who Established	Timing
Humility opens the heart	James 4:6	"God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble."	Arrogance, Relationship breakdown	Empathy training, leadership models	Daniel Goleman (EQ)	~1995
Gratitude improves mindset	1 Thess. 5:18	"In everything give thanks..."	Depression, anxiety, negativity	Gratitude journaling, Positive psychology	Martin Seligman	~1990s
Forgiveness frees the soul	Matthew 6:14-15	"If you forgive others... your Father will forgive you."	Bitterness, trauma, revenge	Forgiveness therapy	Dr. Everett Worthington	~2000s
Purpose, Serving others heals	Acts 20:35	"It is more blessed to give than to receive."	Self-focus, meaninglessness	Volunteer therapy, Purpose-based healing	Viktor Frankl, various	~1940s–1990s
Words have power	Proverbs 18:21	"Death and life are in the power of the tongue..."	Emotional abuse, self-image	Self-talk therapy, NLP	Albert Ellis, others	~1950s
Hope anchors the soul	Hebrews 6:19	"This hope we have as an anchor of the soul..."	Despair, Suicidal thoughts	Hope theory, Resilience research	Charles R. Snyder	~1990s
Dwelling on truth brings peace	Philippians 4:8	"Whatever things are true... meditate on these."	Anxiety, obsessive thoughts	Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT)	Aaron Beck	~1960s
Rest is essential	Exodus 20:8–10	"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy."	Burnout, stress, workaholism	Work-life balance, rest cycles	Industrial psychology, neuroscience	~1900s onward
Guilt leads to repentance, not shame	2 Cor. 7:10	"Godly sorrow produces repentance..."	Shame, unresolved guilt	Guilt vs. shame psychology	Brené Brown, others	~2010s

Resources

Ray Comfort

Scientific Facts In The Bible

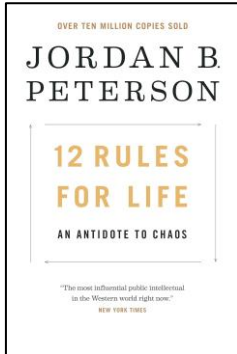
<https://www.amazon.com/Scientific-Facts-Bible-Reasons-Supernatural-ebook/dp/B0D8TNQX1Y>



Jordan Peterson

12 Rules for Life – An Antidote to Chaos

<https://www.amazon.com/12-Rules-Life-Antidote-Chaos-ebook/dp/B01FPGY5T0/>



Psychological Significance of the Biblical (Genesis Series)YouTube Playlist:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL22J3VaeABQApSdW8X71Ihe34eKN3wHPG>

My Blog:

Why Believe The Bible Is The Word Of God: It Reveals Scientific Facts Before Science Existed!

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The Bible = The Word = The Word of God

The Word Was With God In Creation

- All Things were created through Him

- Creation
- Fall Of Man
- God Works Strategies To Restore
 - Noah, Abraham, Moses, David, Prophets, etc
- Wisdom
- Predicts Messiah

The Word Becomes Flesh - Jesus

- Immanuel – God Among Us

- 4 Gospel Records Of Jesus Life , **And Words**
- God Works With Disciples / Apostles
- Various letters To Early Churches
- Revelation of Jesus and New Heaven to John

The Bible - The Word

66 Books / 40 Authors / 1500 years
- 39 Old Testament
- 27 New Testament
Best Selling Book: 5 Billion Copies

Old Testament

- Accuracy of historical vs extra-biblical records
- Accuracy of copying, Match to Dead Sea Scrolls
- Correlation with Archaeological discoveries
- 2000 of 2500 Prophecy fulfilled to date

New Testament

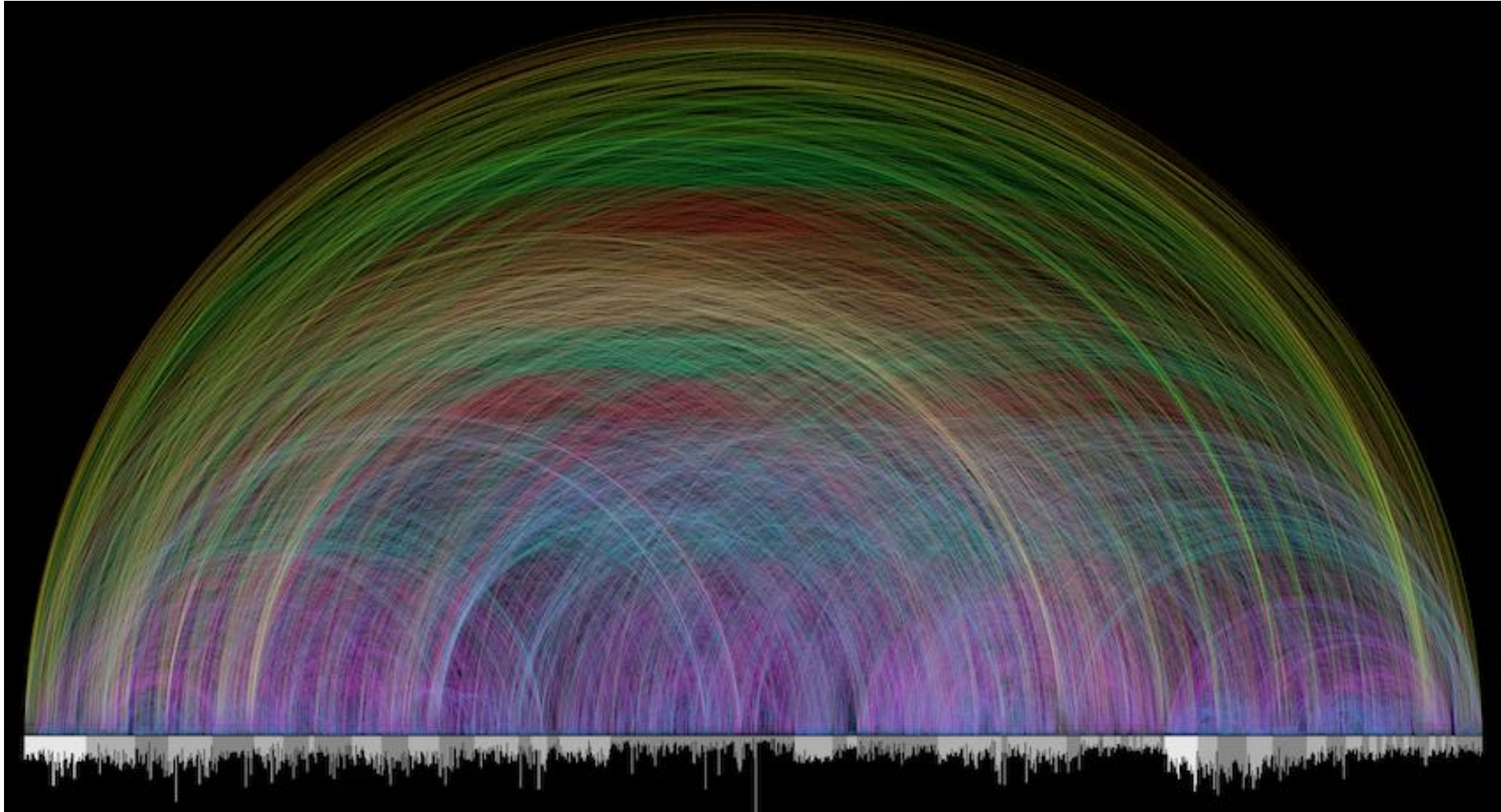
- Abundance of early manuscripts (5800)
- Proximity to the events – Witnesses still alive
- Diverse authorship across different perspectives
- Textual criticism identifies and addresses discrepancies – none impact essential beliefs
- 320 Messianic prophecies fulfilled by Jesus
- Witness testify to resurrection despite suffering

“the essential Christian beliefs are not affected by textual variants in the manuscript tradition of the New Testament” (Bart Ehrmann , Misquoting Jesus, pg. 252)

One Narrative Across Authors Separated By Space And Time

- In Old Testament God Tells Us How He Will Defeat Death
- The New Testament Tells Us How He Did It

The Bible Is The Most “Hyperlinked” Text



63,779 Links documented by Paster Christoph Römhild , Visual Created by Chris Harrison

<https://www.chrisharrison.net/index.php/visualizations/BibleViz>
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NT Starts With A Supernatural Genealogy

Matthew 1:1-17 - The Genealogy of Jesus Christ

1 The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the Son of David, the Son of Abraham:

2 Abraham begot Isaac, Isaac begot Jacob, and Jacob begot Judah and his brothers. 3 Judah begot Perez and Zerah by Tamar, Perez begot Hezron, and Hezron begot Ram. 4 Ram begot Amminadab, Amminadab begot Nahshon, and Nahshon begot Salmon. 5 Salmon begot Boaz by Rahab, Boaz begot Obed by Ruth, Obed begot Jesse, 6 and Jesse begot David the king.

David the king begot Solomon by her who had been the wife of Uriah. 7 Solomon begot Rehoboam, Rehoboam begot Abijah, and Abijah begot Asa. 8 Asa begot Jehoshaphat, Jehoshaphat begot Joram, and Joram begot Uzziah. 9 Uzziah begot Jotham, Jotham begot Ahaz, and Ahaz begot Hezekiah. 10 Hezekiah begot Manasseh, Manasseh begot Amon, and Amon begot Josiah. 11 Josiah begot Jeconiah and his brothers about the time they were carried away to Babylon.

12 And after they were brought to Babylon, Jeconiah begot Shealtiel, and Shealtiel begot Zerubbabel. 13 Zerubbabel begot Abiud, Abiud begot Eliakim, and Eliakim begot Azor. 14 Azor begot Zadok, Zadok begot Achim, and Achim begot Eliud. 15 Eliud begot Eleazar, Eleazar begot Matthan, and Matthan begot Jacob. 16 And Jacob begot Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus who is called Christ.

17 So all the generations from Abraham to David are **fourteen** generations, from David until the captivity in Babylon are **fourteen** generations, and from the captivity in Babylon until the Christ are **fourteen** generations.

Unique words: **49** = 7 x 7

Nouns: 42 = 7 x 6, Not: 7

Proper names: 35 = 7 x 5, Male: 28 = 7 x 4, Female: 7

Appear once: 14 = 7 x 2, More than once: 35 = 7 x 5

One form = 42 = 7 x 6, More than one form = 7

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Matthew 1:1-17

1 Βιβλος γενεσεως Ιησου Χριστου υιου Δαυιδ υιου Αβρααμ.

2 Αβρααμ εγεννησεν τον Ισαακ, Ισαακ δε εγεννησεν τον Ιακωβ, Ιακωβ δε εγεννησεν τον Ιουδαν και τους αδελφους αυτου, 3 Ιουδας δε εγεννησεν τον Φαρες και τον Ζαρα εκ της Θαμαρ, Φαρες δε εγεννησεν τον Εσρωμ, Εσρωμ δε εγεννησεν τον Αραμ, 4 Αραμ δε εγεννησεν τον Αμιναδαβ, Αμιναδαβ δε εγεννησεν τον Ναασσων, Ναασσων δε εγεννησεν τον Σαλμων, 5 Σαλμων δε εγεννησεν τον Βοες εκ της Ραχαβ, Βοες δε εγεννησεν τον Ιωβηδ εκ της Ρουθ, Ιωβηδ δε εγεννησεν τον Ιεσσαϊ, 6 Ιεσσαϊ δε εγεννησεν τον Δαυιδ τον βασιλευα.

Δαυιδ δε εγεννησεν τον Σολομωνα εκ της του Ουριου, 7 Σολομων δε εγεννησεν τον Ροβοαμ, Ροβοαμ δε εγεννησεν τον Αβια, Αβια δε εγεννησεν τον Ασαφ, 8 Ασαφ δε εγεννησεν τον Ιωσαφατ, Ιωσαφατ δε εγεννησεν τον Ιωραμ, Ιωραμ δε εγεννησεν τον Οζιαν, 9 Οζιας δε εγεννησεν τον Ιωθαμ, Ιωθαμ δε εγεννησεν τον Αχαζ, Αχαζ δε εγεννησεν τον Εζεκιαν, 10 Εζεκιας δε εγεννησεν τον Μανασση, Μανασσης δε εγεννησεν τον Αμωσ, Αμωσ δε εγεννησεν τον Ιωσιαν, 11 Ιωσιας δε εγεννησεν τον Ιεχονιαν και τους αδελφους αυτου επι της μετοικεσις Βαβυλωνος.

12 Μετα δε την μετοικεσιαν Βαβυλωνος Ιεχονιας εγεννησεν τον Σαλαθιηλ, Σαλαθιηλ δε εγεννησεν τον Ζοροβαβελ, 13 Ζοροβαβελ δε εγεννησεν τον Αβιουδ, Αβιουδ δε εγεννησεν τον Ελιακιμ, Ελιακιμ δε εγεννησεν τον Αζωρ, 14 Αζωρ δε εγεννησεν τον Σαδωκ, Σαδωκ δε εγεννησεν τον Αχιμ, Αχιμ δε εγεννησεν τον Ελιουδ, 15 Ελιουδ δε εγεννησεν τον Ελεαζαρ, Ελεαζαρ δε εγεννησεν τον Ματθαν, Ματθαν δε εγεννησεν τον Ιακωβ, 16 Ιακωβ δε εγεννησεν τον Ιωσηφ τον ανδρα Μαριας, εξ ης εγεννηθη Ιησους ο λεγομενος Χριστος.

17 Πασαι ουν αι γενεαι απο Αβρααμ εως Δαυιδ γενεαι δεκατεσσαρες, και απο Δαυιδ εως της μετοικεσις Βαβυλωνος γενεαι δεκατεσσαρες, και απο της μετοικεσις Βαβυλωνος εως του Χριστου γενεαι δεκατεσσαρες.

Letters: 266 = 7 x 38,

Vowels: 140 = 7 x 20, Consonants: 126 = 7 x 18

Begin with Vowel: 28 = 7 x 4, Consonant 21 = 7 x 3,

Begin A-E: 21 = 7 x 3, Z-K: 14 = 7 x 2, M-X: 14 = 7 x 2

Over 50 Features Based On 7 Identified

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Resources: The Bible Has Supernatural Structure

Ivan Panin

The Numeric Structure of Scripture

http://www.biblemaths.com/panin/panin_01.html

Bible.org

Matthew's Genealogy and the Sevens

<https://bible.org/seriespage/6-matthew-s-genealogy>

Chiasmus Exchange

Global Database of Biblical Chiasms

<https://www.chiasmusxchange.com/>

My Blog:

The Word Of God Has Supernatural Structure

<https://mygodinmotion.org/about-him-god-jesus/apologetics/the-word-of-god-has-supernatural-structure/>

How do I interpret the Bible? How much is Literal?

Literary Type	Examples	How to Interpret
Historical Narrative	Genesis, Kings, Acts	Take events as literal unless context clearly indicates otherwise
Poetry & Wisdom	Psalms, Proverbs, Song of Solomon	Rich with metaphor; truth expressed in symbolic beauty
Prophecy	Isaiah, Daniel, Revelation	Often uses imagery and symbols; some literal, some symbolic
Parables	Jesus' teachings	Figurative stories with moral/spiritual truths
Apocalyptic Literature	Revelation, parts of Ezekiel	Highly symbolic; requires careful comparison with other Scriptures
Epistles (Letters)	Romans, Ephesians	Teach doctrine directly; usually plain, but with occasional metaphor
Law Codes	Leviticus, Deuteronomy	Context is key; must be understood in covenantal and historic setting

Mark 4:34

“But without a parable He did not speak to them.”

Swedenborg Found Layers of Meaning In Each Verse

Natural / Literal – Direct Application To Your Life

Spiritual – Practical Relevance For Your Spiritual Journey

Celestial – Insight Into God's Divine Intention

How do I interpret the Bible? How much is Literal?

Pre-Prayer:

“Lord, Open My Eyes To See From Your Perspective,
Open My Ears to Hear And Understand Your Word...”

Meditate Over A Verse:

“Lord, Help Me Understand You Through Your Word...”
Read It Over And Over, Listen for Input / Wisdom

Journaling:

Ask Him For Insight on Specific Verse, Write His Response

Check context / Full Section – Meaning Must Fit and Flow

Triangulate Meaning With Other Verses – Must Be Consistent Across

Gain Insight From Experts:

Study Bible,
Commentaries

Call to Action:

- Equip yourself to engage others with the good news
 - Be Ready To Defend The Bible On Several Paths
 - Historical / Archeology
 - Deep Truths
 - Preservation
 - Others
- Let HIM lead you into the unknown...
- Meanwhile
 - Lead by example / Model desired behavior
 - Leverage Healing Opportunities
 - Share Your Testimony
 - Let Me Know And We Can Do An Interview
 - Acknowledge God in All Your Ways
 - Leave Faith breadcrumbs In Conversation

Discussion

This Topic?

- Questions / Clarification
- Practical Experiences
 - Struggles / Barriers
 - Success / Lesson Learned

Other Topics?

Group Activities

Calling, Vision, Dreams

Group Prayers

Updates On Prior Prayers

New Requests

Group Prayer Activity

Date	Person	Situation	"Word" Received	Prayer	Date	Answer
	Jay	Phantom limb pain	Go Around	Lord, Your will is always healing, by your stripes we are already healed. You told us to go around the pain. Help us see the path you have set before us to go around this pain.	1 week	Dr offered new pain med, significant improvement.
	Tammy Neighbor	Fall from unprotected balcony		Lord, we speak healing in Jesus' name.		Upbeat, minor surgery, expecting full recovery.
6/	World	Geopolitical Upheaval		Lord, help the world repent and find you. Help the US find its path back to leading the world in goodness.		
	Ashley	Vascular calcium		Lord, Help us find your path forward for Ashley.		Cardiac Dr Not Excited, Ordered Echo cardiogram tests to eval.
6/20	Lana	UTI	Aster testimony	Lord, help Lana find you and your path to healing. If Aster's supplement is the answer help her embrace it. We speak healing in Jesus' name.	1 Day	Felt significantly better

Any New Prayer Requests?

- Name
- Situation
- Desired Outcome
- Prayer considerations
 - God's Will Be Done:
 - Repentance, Heaven and Earth All Following Jesus, Creation Restored
 - God has wonderful plans for everyone – fulfil created value - they may be blind to it
 - God's will is always healing, but it is path specific – ASK!
 - Devil lies, steals, and destroys, Jesus brings Life in Abundance
 - When we believe in Jesus we are saved / Sozo / made whole.
 - Jesus already did the work – By His Stripes We WERE healed
 - Speak To The Mountain
 - Don't tell God about our mountain, Tell the mountain about our God

Feedback

- What is working: Keep doing
 - ✓ Good Content - Food for thought
 - ✓ Good Mix - Content & Discussion
 - ✓ Good Format - Casual / Informal – Easy to engage
 - ✓ Graphics are good/helpful - Draw the story together
 - ✓ Do quick intro when new folks so they get familiar
 - ✓ Host log in at 6:45 so others can get settled online and start on time
 - ✓ Me: Send Reminder Text Early, and then 30 min before
 - ✓ Me: Set dog up for success to avoid distraction
 - ✓ Mute participants during presentation to improve sound quality
 - ✓ Add Page Num, Session Num, Date to slides for easier ref
- What could be better: Suggestions to consider
 - ✓ Make chunks of content, easier to process/discuss

Next Session & Future Topics

Candidate topic for next week:

Recent Activity / Potential Topics:

- Gratitude Defeats Anxiety
- Deny Your Life To The Point Of Death!
- How do you Restore the Image of God?
- What does it mean to be a Branch of Jesus' Vine?
- How is God's Love perfected through us?
- Fear of God is the beginning of Wisdom!
- Yield Your Life To Find It – His Will, Not Yours
- What does it look like to Love God with all your heart

Next Session:
Tues 07/08/25

Any hot topics on your mind?

- How to stand in Faith in end times
- What does the new heaven/new earth mean?
- What are the steps to discernment

Closing

- Thank You for this opportunity, fellowship, sharing
- Thank you for the gift of Your Word, and Your Son who made it flesh
- May we See, Hear, and Embrace your Word in our Heart, and assimilate it into our flesh
- May we recognize the opportunities within us and around us
- May we seek Your face and embrace Your help to root out our selfish agendas
- May we transform into Your image and perfect the flow of Your love to others
- May we be inspired into the good works that You have prepared
- May we walk in the light as Jesus was in the light,
shine as a bright beacon in this dark world, and
do all things in Your name to bring glory to the Father who sent You

“...if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.” 2 Chronicles 7:14

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