



When we talk about “**God’s Word**,” we are specifically and exclusively referring to the 66 books of the Old and New Testaments. We also commonly speak of God’s Word as the **Bible** (from the Greek word *biblos*, meaning “book”), and as the **Scripture** (from the Latin word *Scriptura*, meaning “holy writings”). Now, while it is true that Christians love God’s Word, that doesn’t mean that we don’t have a few questions, maybe even some doubts, about the Bible. For instance, have you ever wondered about other religious writings such as the Muslim Quran? The Buddhist Tipitaka? The Hindu Bhagavad Gita? Or even the Book of Mormon? I mean, how can we say that our Scripture is the one and only, true Word of God, and that these other books are inferior, man-made writings without true authorship from God? Other questions people often ask about the Bible are: Where did it come from and can we fully trust everything in it? As we continue in our **DEEP DIVE** teaching series, let’s discover why it is **safe** for us to **fully believe** that the Bible truly is God’s Word, why it is **smart** for us to **totally live** on the basis of God’s Word, and why it is **wise** for us to **wholeheartedly love** God’s Word!

*We thank God that you received the Word of God not merely as the word of men, but for what it really is, the Word of God, which performs its transforming work in all who believe. (1 Thessalonians 2:13)*

### WHERE DID THE BIBLE COME FROM?

1. (2 Timothy 3:16-17) The Bible came to us from...
2. (Malachi 1:1) God used lots of different people to write His...
3. (2 Peter 1:21) God the Holy Spirit prevented human authors from...

### CAN WE FULLY TRUST THE BIBLE?

1. (Isaiah 40:8) The claim of the...
2. (Mark 13:31) The perspective of...
3. The witness of ...
4. The testimony of...
5. The record of the...

### WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES THE BIBLE MAKE?

1. (Amos 4:13) The Bible tells us what...
2. (Psalm 19:7) The Bible can fill us with...
3. (Psalm 119:9-11) The Bible directs us away from sin and...
4. (Psalm 119:25) The Bible will release and renew...
5. (Psalms 19:8; 119:50) The Bible brings us...
6. (Matthew 4:4) The Bible is our...
7. (Psalm 119:160) The Bible is our absolute...
8. (John 5:24) The Bible will keep us from...