



ASKING FOR A FRIEND

WHY SHOULD I TRUST THE BIBLE?

2 PETER 1:21, 2 TIMOTHY 3:16-17

SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Do you ever find certain things in the Bible difficult to believe? What are they? Why do you think you have difficulty with this?
2. If you were asked by a non-believer why they should trust the Bible, what would you say? Is it just a cop-out to say, "You just have to accept it on Faith"?
3. Read 2 Peter 1:21. What does this teach about scripture? Read it in several translations. What does it mean to be "carried along" or "inspired" by the Holy Spirit?
4. Read 2 Timothy 3:16-17. What are the 4 things Paul says scripture is useful for? What does "God breathed" mean?
5. What way has the Bible impacted your life in a way that helps you trust it is the Word of God?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. Look up a supposed contradiction in the Bible. Now find an explanation as to why it's not actually a contradiction.
2. Do some digging about the translation of the Bible you use. Who translated it? From what sources was it translated from? Is it a word for word translation or a thought for thought translation?

RESOURCES

BOOKS

- Evidence that demands a verdict: New and updated, Josh McDowell
- The New Testament in it's world: N.T. Wright
- Scribes & Scripture: John Meade and Peter Gurry
- Can we trust the gospels?: Peter J. Williams
- When Critics ask: Norman Geisler
- Can I trust the Bible?: R.C. Sproul
- The Case for Christ: Lee Strobel

APPS

- Right Now Media (Bible Unearthed) (Bible Backroads with Dave Stotts of Drive thru history)

WEBSITES

- Stand to Reason (str.org)
- Crossexamined.org

YOUTUBE CHANNELS

- Apologia Studios
- Expedition Bible
- Dr. Sean McDowell
- Red Pen Logic
- Got Questions Ministries
- Associates for Biblical Research
- Armstrong Institute for Biblical Archaeology

PLACES

- Museum of the Bible 400 4th Street SW Washington DC 20024 (1-866-430-6682)
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