

EVENTS

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BABY BOTTLE DRIVE

DROP OFF
MAY 19 - JUNE 9
AT **NEXT STEPS**

 EMBRACING OPTIONS



Baptism Orientation

June 2 at
9:00am

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LOVE WEEK

JULY 28 - AUGUST 3

**WANT TO LEAD A PROJECT
OR GET INFO?**
COME TO THE PROJECT
GATHERING ON
**JUNE 9TH | 12:30 IN THE
AUDITORIUM**

 **THE GLOBAL
LEADERSHIP SUMMIT**
August 8-9, 2019 | GlobalLeadership.org/Summit

➤ **REGISTER TODAY!**

Individual Rate: \$189
register by 5.21.19

**Lakeshore member/attender
Rate: \$89**

register by 6.25.19 | CODE: GLS19TEAM

	BUDGET AMT.	ACTUAL INCOME	NET DIFFERENCE
GENERAL	\$ 464,404	\$ 422,473	-\$ 41,931
MAKING WAVES	\$ 93,190	\$ 102,963	+\$ 9,773

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COMMUNITY CHURCH

TOUGH STUFF

Your Questions, God's Answers.

Can I Really Trust The Bible?

Tough Stuff | Part 4 | May 19, 2019 | Pastor Vince DiPaola



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I. THREE MAJOR VIEWS OF THE BIBLE

1. Skeptic view: It's **FANCIFUL AND FICTITIOUS**.
2. Liberal view: It's **SACRED BUT NOT SUPREME**.
3. Right view: It's **INSPIRED AND INERRANT**.

II. FIVE REASONS TO TRUST THE BIBLE

1. The **PROPHECY** of the Bible.

Its predictions are being fulfilled with stunning accuracy.

"Now we will interpret it to the king [Nebuchadnezzar]... You are that head of gold. After you, another kingdom will rise, inferior to yours. Next, a third kingdom, one of bronze, will rule over the whole earth. Finally, there will be a fourth kingdom, strong as iron... Just as you saw that the feet and toes were partly of baked clay and partly of iron, so this will be a divided kingdom; yet it will have some of the strength of iron in it, even as you saw iron mixed with clay."

Daniel 2:36,38-41, NIV (see also Daniel 7)

Then he said to me, 'Prophecy to these bones and say to them, '...hear the word of the Lord!.. I will make breath enter you, and you will come to life... these bones are the house of Israel... and I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know that I the Lord have spoken, and I have done it, declares the Lord.'

Ezekiel 37:4,5,13-14, NIV

Christ's birth: Born of a virgin (Isaiah 7:14, Matt. 1:18, 24,25), from the tribe of Judah (Gen. 49:10, Luke 3:23,33), from David's family (Jer. 23:5, Luke 3:23,32), born at Bethlehem (Micah 5:2, Matt. 2:1)

Christ's death: Betrayed by a friend (Ps. 41:9, Matt.10:4), sold for 30 pieces of silver (Zech. 11:12, Matt.26:15), His bones not broken (Ps. 34:20, John 19:33), His heart broken (Ps. 22:14, John 19:34)

Christ's resurrection: Buried in rich man's tomb (Isa.53:9, Mt.27:57-60), resurrected (Ps. 16:10, Acts 2:31), and seen by Roman guards (Matt.28:11-15), disciples (John 20:10-31), over 500 people (1Cor.15:6)

2. The **UNITY** of the Bible.

Over time, authors, and topics, its message is the same.

No prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation. For prophecy never had its origin in the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

2 Peter 1:20-21, NIV

3. The **LONGEVITY** of the Bible.

Despite 2,000 years of attacks, it still stands strong.

"All men are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field... the grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of our God stands forever."

Isaiah 40:6b,8, NIV

4. The **ACCURACY** of the Bible.

When it speaks to science, it is always proven true.

"God sits enthroned above the circle of the earth."

Isaiah 40:22, NIV

"God spreads out the northern skies... he suspends the earth over nothing."

Job 26:7 NIV

"God said, '...For dust you are and to dust you will return."

Genesis 3:19c, NIV

God said, 'Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds.'

Genesis 1:24, NIV

5. The **POWER** of the Bible.

It transforms the lives of those who read it and live it.

The whole Bible was given to us by inspiration from God and is useful for us to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives; it straightens us out and helps us do what is right.

2 Timothy 3:16, LB

"Behold, I am coming soon! Blessed is he who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book."

Revelation 22:7, NIV