I Believe - Week 3: "The Bible IS God's Word #3" Pastor Nick Panico

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2 Timothy 3:16 (NIV) — "All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness..."

IS the Bible God's Word, and can we TRUST it?

5 Evidences that Make this Book Amazing!

1. The UNIQUENESS of the Bible.

The Bible is unique/different from all other religious writings in It's:

- Continuity
- Circulation
- Translation
- Survival

2. SCIENTIFIC evidence.

A close look at Scripture reveals that it is scientifically accurate.

Many ancient beliefs that disagreed with Scripture are now prove the accuracy of it.

3. HISTORICAL evidence.

Bible is not primarily a history book, but it does record it.

Historical discoveries have proved the Bible's historical accuracy over the claims of intellectuals:

- Tel El Amarna tablets proved early writing ability
- Daniel's story of King Belshazaar (Daniel 5:1)
- The Hittites' existence (Exodus 3:8)

4. PROPHETIC evidence.

We can believe the Bible is true because of the fulfilled prophecies contained within it

- 2500 prophecies recorded in scriptures; 2000 already fulfilled without error or inconsistency
- Statistical possibility tall these prophecies could be filled by mere coincidence is 10x2000 power

Isaiah 44:28 & 54:1 - Jerusalem's destruction and Cyrus would rebuild it 160 years later

More than 108 Old Testament prophecies dealing with Jesus the Christ are fulfilled in the New Testament

• There is no way to explain fulfilled prophecy apart from Divine inspiration!

5. Evidence of ENDURANCE.

No book has endured as much opposition... Mankind has laughed at it, scorned it, burned it, and made laws against it

The ancient religious manuscripts of the pagans have disappeared, but the Holy Bible remains

WRAP-UP

The Bible is not like any other book in history. It:

- Is alive and powerful.
- Has power to change lives and power to save those who are far away from God.

No other book, no other power, can take mankind's guilt away except the Holy Bible

- It sanctifies those who believe it
- It offers sufficiency to the sufferer
- It brings satisfaction to the scholar

The Bible IS God's Word!

- Be careful to approach it with a holy reverence
- Be careful how you respond to it

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