

Discipleship Essentials Pathway – Week 1 "The Bible is God's Word"

What does the Bible say about itself?

II Timothy 3:14-17 (NIV)

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, ¹⁵ and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

Why should we trust the Bible?

The Bible is <u>historically accurate</u>, <u>internally consistent</u>, and <u>prophetically undeniable</u>.

- 1. The Bible is historically accurate.
- 2. The Bible is internally consistent.

Genesis 15:6 (NIV)

Abram believed the Lord, and he credited it to him as righteousness.

3. The prophecy found in scripture is undeniable.

II Peter 1:21 (NIV)

For prophecy never had its origin in the human will, but prophets, though human, spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

It's not for a lack of evidence that people refute the Bible - it's a lack of obedience.