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PART 3 — WHY YOU CAN TRUST IT

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WHY SHOULD I TRUST THE BIBLE?

1. It is _____ unified.

"...the Scriptures point to me!" —Jesus (John 5:39, NLT)

2. It is _____ accurate.

For the word of the LORD is right and true. (Psalm 33:4)

3. It is _____ accurate.

God sits enthroned above the sphere of the earth. (Isaiah 40:22)

He spreads out the northern skies over empty space; he suspends the earth over nothing. (Job 26:7)

The stars of the sky cannot be counted. (Jeremiah 33:22, NLT)

For the life of the body is in its blood. (Leviticus 17:11, NLT)

The priest will quarantine the person for seven days. (Leviticus 13:4, NLT)

4. It is _____ accurate.

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? All who see me mock me; they hurl insults, shaking their heads. I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint. My heart has turned to wax; it has melted within me. Dogs surround me, a pack of villains encircles me; they pierce my hands and my feet. All my bones are on display; people stare and gloat over me. They divide my clothes among them and cast lots for my garment. (Psalm 22:1,7,14,15,17,18)

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. (2 Peter 1:21)

"But this is all happening to fulfill the words of the prophets as recorded in the Scriptures." —Jesus (Matthew 26:56, NLT)

5. It is _____ by Jesus

For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished. —Jesus (Matthew 5:18)

6. It has _____ all attacks.

The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of the Lord endures forever. (1 Peter 1:24–25)

7. It has _____ power.

- ✓ Set an appointment for _____
- ✓ Get in a _____

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