asking for a friend

Why Should I Trust the Bible? – Dr. Randall Smith October 17 & 18, 2020

- 1. How do you handle conversations that question the accuracy of the Bible?
- 2. Dr. Smith shared there is both archaeological and historical evidence to support the Bible. Were you surprised by the amount of evidence that was presented? What stood out the most to you?
- 3. If we believe in an all-powerful God, why does it seem impossible for Him to keep His Word from being corrupted and full of errors? What does Jesus attitude toward and use of Scripture teach us?
- 4. Read 2 Peter 1:16 and 1 John 1:1 What set into motion the events that led to the dominate rise of Christianity?
- 5. Paul teaches that there were attempts to undermine the Gospel in the early church. Satan continues to distort the truth which can lead to doubt. How can you sharpen your discernment to his tactics?
- 6. Read John 20:19 The disciples fearful and in hiding after Jesus' death what kind of change came about after they saw Jesus? What can we learn from them?
- 7. The death and resurrection of Jesus changed the culture for both Christians and non-Christians. Discuss the ways early Christians impacted the world around them. Why would they react as they did and what can we learn from them?
- 8. Historical evidence is helpful but is not absolute proof that refutes every doubt and skeptic we encounter. How can you navigate questions and conversations in a helpful way?
- 9. What is your biggest challenge in personally accepting or explaining your reasons for believing the Bible is a reliable document? What can you do to be better prepared to answer the question "why should I trust the Bible?"