



Part 2: Can I Trust the Bible?

Christianity is an EVIDENCE-BASED faith

The Christian claim:

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness...

- 2 Timothy 3:16 (NIV)

Knowing how Bible was CREATED gives

CONFIDENCE in its CONTENTS

Many have undertaken to draw up an account of the things that have been fulfilled among us, just as they were handed down to us by those who from the first were eyewitnesses and servants of the word. With this in mind, since I myself have carefully investigated everything from the beginning, I too decided to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus

- Luke 1:1-3 (NIV)

How did it happen?

c. 6-33CE JESUS

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar—when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, Herod tetrarch of Galilee, his brother Philip tetrarch of Iturea and Traconitis, and Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene—during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas...

- Luke 3:1-2 (NIV)

c. 30CE NEW COVENANT CHURCH

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

- Acts 2:42 (NIV)

• Intense PERSECUTION

• Outrageous GROWTH

c. 64-67CE ROME BURNS

For two whole years Paul stayed there in his own rented house and welcomed all who came to see him. He proclaimed the kingdom of God and taught about the Lord Jesus Christ—with all boldness and without hindrance!

- Acts 28:30-31 (NIV)

c. 70CE JERUSALEM DESTROYED

c. 367CE NEW TESTAMENT ESTABLISHED

• APOSTOLIC origin

• CONTINUOUS usage

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What's the big deal?

Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

- John 20:30-31 (NIV)