

Evidence of Biblical Accuracy

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Confirming Evidence

- Old Testament fulfilled in New Testament
- Findings of archeology
- Reliable manuscripts
- Inner testimony of the Holy Spirit
- The Bible's power to transform lives and nations

Old Testament Prophecy fulfilled in New Testament

- Hundreds of prophecies were fulfilled in Jesus' birth, life, death, and resurrection.
- Old Testament feasts and rituals were fulfilled in Jesus.
- Worldwide gospel preaching fulfilled the original promise that through Abraham's seed all nations would be blessed.

Findings of archeology

Was David just a myth?



House of David inscription

Findings of archeology

Was Pilate a real person?



Dedication of a temple to Tiberius
Caesar by ___tius Pilatus

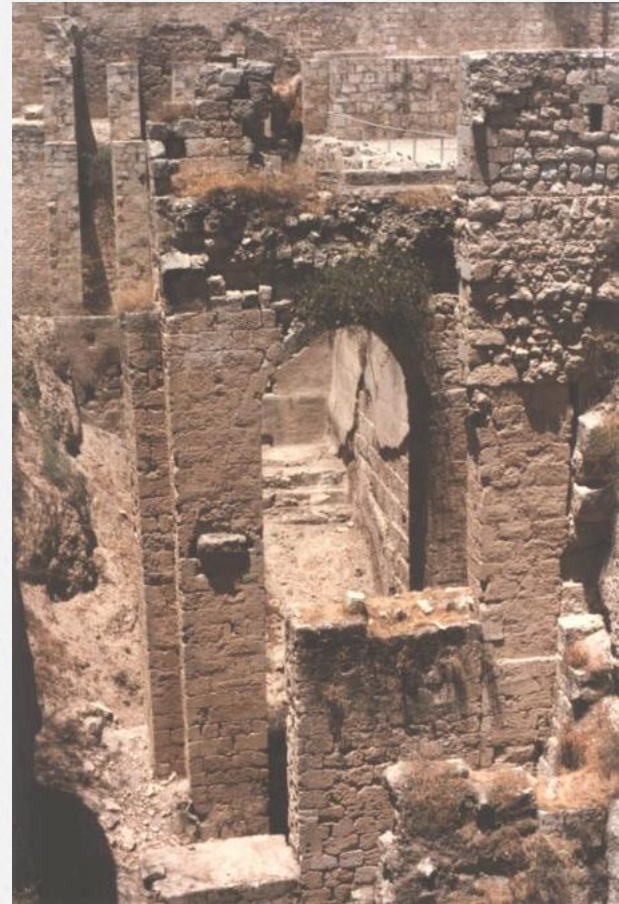
Findings of archeology

Firsthand knowledge of Jerusalem and Jesus?

- In the 1800s some skeptics said the author of John had never been to Jerusalem and had no firsthand knowledge of geography and events.
- Some scholars said the Gospel of John was written as late as 200 A.D. because it spoke of Jesus as the Word become flesh. Only a later writer could have such an evolved theology. None of Jesus original disciples could have viewed Jesus as God.

Findings of archeology

- “Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Aramaic called Bethesda, which has five roofed colonnades.” (John 5:2)
- In the 1800s some skeptics said the author of John had never been to Jerusalem. He just made up the pool and gave it mythical meaning.



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- Some skeptical scholars said Gospel of John was written as late as 200 A.D. because it spoke of Jesus as the Word become flesh.
- Papyrus fragment, found in Egypt, dated 125 A.D., was a fragment from John 18.
- Proves John was written a generation earlier and was being copied and circulated as Scripture.



Reliable manuscripts

Books by Plato

- Surviving copies: seven
- Earliest copy: 1,200 years after originals were written

New Testament

- Surviving copies: More than 5,700
- Earliest copy: <40 years after original; many within a few hundred years
- Wording agrees 99%

**Dead Sea Scrolls prove OT
was copied accurately**



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God-breathed and profitable

¹⁴But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work. (2 Tim 3:14-17)



Guard the treasure

O Timothy, guard the deposit entrusted to you. Avoid the irreverent babble and contradictions of what is falsely called knowledge. (1 Tim 6:20)