



How the Bible Can Change Your Life

Is the Bible True?

Leader's Notes

I. Archeological and historical evidence.

- Excavations have proven the truth of biblical accounts.
 - Moab's revolt against Israel in 2 Kings 3:4-27 was confirmed by the Mesah Inscription.
 - Excavation in 1906 proved Hattushash was the capital city of the Hittites.
 - Excavation in 1961 unearthed a stone block confirming Pontius Pilate was prefect of Judea in A.D. 26-37.
- Historical proof of Jesus can be found in over 25,000 manuscripts.
- Writing of early church writers used over 36,000 quotations from the Bible in their writings.
- Even secular authors mention Jesus' teachings and biblical events.
 - Thallus—A.D. 52.
 - Flavius Josephus—A.D. 66.

II. Biblical evidence.

- God inspired men to write the Bible.
 - 2 Timothy 3:16-17, *"All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right. God uses it to prepare and equip his people to do every good work" (NLT).*





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- King Solomon believed God's Word should be used for life and healing.
 - Proverbs 4:20-22, *"My child, pay attention to what I say. Listen carefully to my words. Don't lose sight of them. Let them penetrate deep into your heart, for they bring life to those who find them, and healing to their whole body"* (NLT).
- Jesus believed the Word of God was the truth.
- Jesus prayed that God would make His disciples holy through His Word.
 - John 17:17, *"Make them holy by your truth; teach them your word, which is truth"* (NLT).

III. Experiential evidence.

- The Bible is a good guide for spiritual issues.
- The Bible is a constant source of support.
- Testimonies of people whose lives have changed by using the Bible as God's Word to them.
- Kenneth and Gloria Copeland's life and ministry.

Confession

I believe the Bible is true and is the inspired Word of God written as a guide and a source for men and women throughout history and for me. I thank God He has given me His Word so I can be His child and live with Him forever, beginning now!

In the Name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

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