



PART 1: THE WRITTEN WORD

- 2 Timothy 3:16-17
- Proverbs 4:20-22 My son, pay attention to what I say; listen closely to my words. 21 Do not let them out of your sight, keep them within your heart; 22 for they are life to those who find them and health to a man's whole body. NIV
- Psalms 119:16 *I delight in your decrees; I will not neglect your word.*

History Timeline

1400 - 1500 BC: God wrote the 10 Commandments in ancient Hebrew on stone.

500 BC: 39 books that make up the Old Testament were completed and preserved in Hebrew on scrolls.

First Century AD: New Testament had been completed and was preserved in Greek on papyrus.

393 AD: African senate of Synod officially approved the New Testament for the entire Church.

500 AD: Bible had been translated into 100's of different languages.

600 AD: Bible was restricted to only Latin. All other versions were considered illegal. Catholic church of Rome was the only recognized church in the land.

400-1400 AD: Known as the "Dark Ages."

500s - 1300s: Columba started the Secret Bible Society made up of the "Culdees"

1380: John Wycliffe first person to translate the Bible into English.

1415: John Huss was burned at the stake for his stance for the Bible. "In the next 100 years, God will raise up a man whose call for reform cannot be suppressed."

1450's Guttenberg Press Books and manuscripts could be more easily reproduced

1498 John Colet: Son of the mayor of London. Oxford Professor who translated the bible into English for his Oxford students.

1517: Martin Luther - Thesis on the church door in Wittenberg.

1526: William Tyndale printed the first English Bible. Anyone caught with it – would be executed immediately.

1536: Tyndale was incarcerated before he was strangled and burned at the stake. Before dying, he prayed, "Oh Lord, open the King of England's eyes".

1539: King Henry VIII finally allowed (and even funded) the printing of an English Bible.

1604: With the death of Queen Elizabeth I, Prince James VI of Scotland became **King James I of England**. The Protestant clergy announced their desire for a new translation to replace the Bishop's Bible first printed in 1568.

1611 the first King James Bible came off the printing press.

IS THE BIBLE RELIABLE?

1) THE _____ TEST: DO THE WRITERS OF THE BIBLE CLAIM THEIR WRITINGS ARE TRUE?

- 2 Peter 1:16

2) THE _____ TEST: WHAT DOES OUTSIDE EVIDENCE SAY ABOUT THE BIBLE?

- Psalms 18:30 As for God, his way is perfect; the Word of the Lord is flawless.

3) THE _____ TEST: HOW WELL WERE THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS TRANSLATED TO TODAY?

Isaiah 40:8 . . . but the Word of our God stands forever.

PROPHECIES ABOUT CHRIST

	OT PROPHECY	NT FULLFILLMENT
Born of a Virgin	Isa 7:14	Matt 1:25
Born in Bethlehem	Micah 5:2	Matt 2:1-2
Anointed by the Spirit	Isa 11:2	Matt 3:16
Rides Triumphantly on Donkey	Zech 9:9	John 12:14-15
Betrayed By Friend	Ps 41:9	Matt 26:48-49
Silent Before Accusers	Isa 53:7	Matt 27:12
Beaten and Spat Upon	Isa 50:6	Matt 26:67
Cast Lots for Clothing	Ps 22:18	John 19:23-24
Crucified With Criminals	Isa 53:12	Mark 15:27
Given Vinegar to Drink	Ps 69:21	John 19:28-30
Forsaken By God	Ps 22:1	Matt 27:46
Pierced For Our Sins	Isa 53:5	John 19:34-35
His Bones Will Not Be Broken	Ps 34:20	John 19:33
The Day Turns Dark	Amos 8:9	Matt 27:45
He Will Rise Again	Ps 118:17-18	Mark 16:6-8

PROPHECIES YET TO BE FULFILLED

1 Thess 4:16-17

Rev 19:11-16

Rev 7:9-12