

CAN WE TRUST THE BIBLE?

There are over _____ prophecies in the life of Christ.

Introduction

1. The Bible's Claim
 - The Bible is _____. – 2 Peter 1:20-21
 - The Bible has authority for our _____ and _____. – 2 Timothy 3:16-17
2. The Importance of the Bible's Claim
 - If it is not God's Word, we are _____ our time.
 - If it is God's Word, nothing else compares in _____.

The Claim is that the Bible is the Word of God

Isaiah 40:8

1. **We believe the Bible is the Word of God because of its _____ and _____.**
 - The "problem" of contradictions within the Bible.
 - The "problem" of contradictions between the Bible and science.
 - The "problem" of textual variations.
2. **We believe the Bible is the Word of God because of _____.**

About _____ of Bible was unfulfilled prophecy at the time it was written.

 - Miscellaneous prophecies
 - Prophecies concerning Jesus Christ

3. We believe the Bible is the Word of God because of its _____ accuracy.

- Correct in its _____ – 2 Peter 3:10, 12
- Correct as shown by _____

4. We believe the Bible is the Word of God because it has survived all _____ and _____.

- Attempts to destroy the Bible's credibility.
- Attempts to eliminate the Bible physically.

5. We believe the Bible is the Word of God because of its _____ influence.

- Where it is read, preached, and obeyed – it transforms lives and nations, and is a force for _____.
- Where it is _____, it brings sin, suffering, and sorrow.

Conclusion: The Consequences of the Claim

1. If the Bible is truly God's Word, we should take time to get to _____ it.
2. If the Bible is truly God's Word, we should let it influence our _____.
3. If the Bible is truly God's Word, we should let it influence our _____. – James 1:22-25